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'Penarth facing more congestion' warns group

NEW housing developments could result in over 4,000 more vehicle journeys a day along the main road from Penarth to Sully, a traffic campaigning organisation has claimed.

The Barry to Cardiff Link Road Group says an alternative to the congestion would be a by-pass linking Cardiff and the Vale with access to new estates.

The group says there could be 1,561 new houses in Penarth and Sully in the next few years and that will mean a lot more local car journeys.

The Wimpy Homes Cog estate of 540 houses has been given the green light, and there are plans for another 300 homes on adjoining land. There are proposals at Cosmeston for 576 houses on land overlooking the sea, which is owned by the Welsh Government. There are also a further 145 houses in the local development plan (LDP) earmarked for Oak Court in lower Penarth.

The group says that in other parts of the UK, developers have paid all or a large part of new infrastructure costs. It points out that in Bognor Regis, developers built 800 homes but also funded a relief road with a walkway and cycle lane.

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Rhoose pays touching tribute to Lee

Mourners dressed in bright colours to celebrate Lee's life defied the rain as they walked behind the VW camper van hearse.

Lee had been travelling around Asia for six weeks until his sudden death at the age of 19.

RHOOSE came to a standstill last week as hundreds of people walked through the village as part of a funeral procession, paying tribute to Lee Bartlett.

Lee was just 19 when he died of sudden heart failure while travelling around Asia. He had lived in Rhoose all his life and had been travelling for six weeks before his sudden death in Laos.

His funeral took place on May 29 and a huge number of people were keen to pay their respects.

Walking behind a VW camper van hearse, the mourners were undeterred by the wet weather and everyone wore bright colours in celebration of Lee's life.

The coffin was carried into St Curig's Church by Lee's friends who wore Cardiff City football shirts with his nickname 'Barto' on the back.

Mark and Helen, Lee's parents, told The GEM: "After the service, conducted by Rev Melanie Prince, Lee was laid to rest at the Natural Burial Meadow, St Nicholas, which was a fitting location for him because he was a keen environmentalist.

"Lee loved the outdoor life and one of his last holiday photos had the inscription 'Living the Best Life'.

"We want to thank all our family and friends for their support at this difficult time."

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Traffic chaos traps Rhoose residents

I AM a resident of Rhoose and I am feeling as if I am trapped in my own village.

I feel so sorry for people who are late for work, school and college, students late for exams and people missing medical appointments.

The ongoing saga of Weycock Cross roundabout and now traffic lights on the approach to the roundabout has become a joke.

Compounded with extra traffic when passenger aircraft land, the queues are horrendous.

When we went for a hospital appointment a few days ago, we had to go west to go east – a detour of some miles to pick up the A48 to Culverhouse Cross. I believe the relief road may be shelved yet again for environmental reasons, but I would like to know what the environmental implications are to the people who live on Port Road?

It really is about time someone else shares this problem which is only going to get worse with all the new building from Rhoose to Wick and Aston Martin.

If you want us to use public transport, then there must be an improvement to the infrastructure of the train and bus service because how else can the airport be developed?

It won't be long before word gets around that the road network cannot handle the volume of traffic, and passengers will be missing flights or frustrated when trying to get home.

The number of Rhoose residents has increased considerably in the last 10-plus years. Where is all the extra council tax money going? I would love to know how many AMs and senior councillors have to use this route, although I suspect they are residents of Cowbridge/Bonvilston (where the relief road was supposed to go).

Name and address supplied.

'Weycock Cross chaos'

IN answer to Anthony Burke's letter (The GEM, May 30), the reason why there is long lasting work at Weycock Cross by Dwr Cymru is that they are treating the job as '9 to 5' work.

The one trench they have dug on the highway is approximately 25 feet long and has been mainly filled in. It could have been covered with a steel plate over the Bank Holiday period.

Dwr Cymru need to get this work finished after one month.

One good thing has come of this – nobody has noticed the minimal amount of work the contractors on the Five Mile Lane have carried out over the last month.

Paul Blanchard, Barry.

'Help the bells of St Athan ring again'

AS reported last November, the St Athan Church bells are silent.

To hear the bells ring again, the frame holding the six bells has to be replaced, together with parts of the clock movement.

This restoration will allow St Athan to be a centre for campanology training in the Vale.

During the last year, the community have shown their support for the project by attending the various fundraising events in the village, but the restoration committee need help in applying for grants.

If you have experience in making successful applications for grants, please contact me via the Rectory or the church.

Brian Acott, St Athan

'Destruction of countryside and village life in the Vale'

TAKING a round trip of the Vale: Cowbridge, Llantwit Major, St Athan, Barry, Wenvoe, Culverhouse Cross, St Nicholas and Bonvilston, I was devastated by the destruction of farmland and hedgerows by new building sites.

This, combined with the extensive work on Five Mile Lane, has blighted the countryside. It is no wonder we have so many species of wildlife near extinction.

It is reported that 75 per cent of green areas throughout the country have been sold off to developers. These include farmland, parks, village greens – leading to the destruction of mature trees and hedgerows.

Children of today cannot enjoy the freedom I enjoyed as a village lad, exploring the streams, fields, hedgerows and woodlands; noting the many species of insects, birds, wildflowers, hares, rabbits, foxes and badgers – and hearing the cuckoo.

It is heartbreaking to note the loss of habitat to building sites. I also fear that when the Five Mile Lane improvements are completed, infill planning applications will appear.

It is obvious that governments, councils and farmers have disconnected with nature and village life.

H C Mustow, Bonvilston.

A piece of Barry's musical history

The framed picture of the Barry Silver Band.

HERE in the GEM offices in Cowbridge, we recently discovered a framed photograph that must have been left here some years ago, and we are keen to find the right home for it.

It dates back to 1938/39 and features the Barry Silver Band – Class 'C' Champions, it proudly states, but the photo does not say in which competition.

The Barry Silver Band folded in 1955.

Judging by the picture, it wasn't the only trophy won that year. The biggest shield is in front of the conductor, W Davies.

The second-biggest trophy lies at the feet of Mr Islwyn Williams (we think) and Mr Williams was instrumental in starting the Vale Of Glamorgan Brass Band in 1974 using (we believe) some silver band instruments that had been untouched for 19 years.

The band's chairman at the time was Mr T Hayne, front row, first from right, in uniform.

If anyone can help offer a good home for this photograph, please contact The GEM editorial department on 01446 774484.

News in brief

Repair Cafe

SATURDAY, June 8 from 10am – noon the Repair Cafe Wales will be operating as usual in the Bethel Church Hall.

Free bicycle safety checks are still on offer, please take advantage! And of course bring faulty or repairable portable items for the gallant team of repairers to be challenged with.

Care and Repair

IF you are a homeowner or private tenant living in Vale of Glamorgan, perhaps disabled or elderly and in need of advice or support on repairs; or home improvements to make life easier at home, Care and Repair Cardiff and Vale can help you to adapt and maintain your home.

They can give advice on grants available and information on reputable companies to use. Care and Repair will hold a drop-in information session on Tuesday, June 11 from 10am to 12pm at Age Connects Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry. No appointment is needed just come along. Call 01446 732385 for further information.

Floral society

'THE Wonders of Wales' is the title of a demonstration by Delyth Price of Llangadog at the Barry Floral Society meeting on Tuesday, June 11.

The demonstration will take place at St Nicholas Hall, St Nicholas Road, Barry at 2.15pm; new members welcome.

Cowbridge U3A

THE next Cowbridge U3A monthly meeting will be a talk entitled 'Life of Classical Music', by Rev Clive Williams at 2pm on Wednesday, June 12 in Cowbridge Town Hall; visitors welcome. See www.u3asites.org.uk/cowbridge for further information.

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL JUNE 13)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20-25 minutes later.

DATE	Time AM	Ht M	Time PM	Ht M
06 Thur	09.12	9.8	21.37	9.9
07 Fri	10.07	9.6	22.26	9.4
08 Sat	10.55	9.2	23.18	9.0
09 Sun	11.52	8.8	--------	----
10 Mon	00.17	8.7	12.54	8.5
11 Tues	01.23	8.5	13.59	8.4
12 Wed	02.32	8.4	15.14	8.5

While The GEM makes every effort to check the accuracy of tide tables, we recommend that anyone putting out to sea, or walking in an area where they could be cut off, should check with a tide table specific to their location.

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'Questions need to be answered on incinerator planning process' – AM

AN Assembly Member says the Welsh Government and Vale planning department have questions to answer because an environmental impact assessment (EIA) should have taken place before planning was granted on the controversial Barry Biomass plant.

Andrew RT Davies's comments coincided with the Docks Incinerator Action Group (DIAG) writing to the First Minister to ask him to quash planning permission.

In a statement to AMs recently, the Welsh Government said it had identified a "potential breach" at the plant. It confirmed the 'breach' related to the planning application approved in July 2015 and whether it should have been subjected to an EIA.

Mr Davies, who is a councillor for Rhoose as well as an AM, said: "Residents place their trust in the planning system to look after our community, but it is clear they cannot have any confidence in it at all.

"Both the Welsh Labour Government and the Vale planning department have serious questions to answer, because it seems an EIA should have been undertaken before permission was granted.

"This is not a minor issue, and it is unbelievable that such an error could be allowed to happen.

"Let me be clear, the entire system has let residents down. Someone needs to be held to account, since it is clear serious failings may have occurred."

DIAG has written to the First Minister Mark Drakeford and demanded that the nature of the potential breach be revealed, adding "the correct method of remedying the breach is to quash the planning permission".

The GEM approached the Welsh Government and Vale Council for their responses to the points made by Mr Davies.

A Welsh Government spokesman said: "No conclusion has been made regarding the possible failure to properly apply the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999.

"The intention is, following public consultation on collated information on the environmental impact provided by the developer, that the Welsh Ministers will consider what, if any, further action is required."

Marcus Goldsworthy, Vale of Glamorgan Council Head of Regeneration and Planning, said that any reference to a potential breach was "premature".

He said: "The May 15 statement by Welsh Government does not confirm the need or otherwise for an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for either the previously determined application or the one still before the council.

"It instead advises that Welsh Government continue to deliberate this matter in the light of relevant considerations. The council therefore considers that any reference to a potential breach of regulations is premature, especially given that in July 2015, when asked to call in the decision on the need for an EIA, the Welsh Government concluded that a screening direction by the Welsh Minister is not required.

"Given the above, notwithstanding the comments of Cllr Andrew RT Davies, the council is content that it followed the correct procedure in dealing with both of these applications with regard to the need or otherwise for an EIA.

"Nevertheless, the council would welcome Welsh Government clarification on this situation and also a conclusion to deliberations over the need or otherwise for an EIA as quickly as possible. After all, it has been 15 months since a statement indicated they were 'minded' to advise that one was required."

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Hilary is half way through year of challenges for charity

BARRY runner Hilary James is taking on a year of challenges in aid of Marie Curie to raise funds to 'Pay for a Day' of care at the Cardiff and Vale Hospice in Penarth.

Hilary chose to raise money after losing her husband, Neil, in 2014.

Hilary said: "My husband Neil spent the last months of his life in UHW and when the time came and there was no more the doctors could do, he wanted to come home. The only way was with nurses to come to us to help, with medication and equipment.

"We thought there was no way of getting him home at such short notice and it was looking as if he would have to stay in hospital. Luckily, the doctor contacted Marie Curie and they said they could help.

"They run an amazing service called Hospice at Home. This provides the family with all the help, care and support at a time that you don't really know what you are doing.

"Neil managed to get his wish and come home. Sadly, he died that evening, but I take comfort in the fact that we got him there."

Hilary chose to take on some challenges to raise money for Marie Curie, first signing up to trek the Grand Canyon back in 2014. Since then, she has also taken on her second trek to Sri Lanka and joined the Penarth Fundraising Group as a volunteer.

She said: "I just needed to do something to help – I know I can never thank them enough".

This year, Hilary's goal is to raise enough money to cover the hospice running costs for 24 hours, a total of £6,660.

So far, Hilary ran every day in January and completed half marathons in February and March. April and May's challenges saw Hilary complete the Vale Ultra, the London Marathon and Liverpool Rock N Roll Half Marathon.

"Trying to find a challenge every month has been fun. I still have a Snowdon Night Climb, Skydive and a six-day trek through Vietnam to go," she added.

To find out more about Pay for a Day visit: *www.mariecurie.org.uk/help/hospice-care/cardiff/how-to-support-cardiff-hospice/pay-for-a-day*.

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Albert Primary Pupils learn from Dylan Thomas

AS part of this year's International Dylan Thomas Day, which is celebrated on May 14 each year, Dylan ED invited primary schools all across Wales to take part in a very special competition.

The International Dylan Thomas Prize has worked over many years with schools, colleges and university students. DylanED is all about introducing young people to the world of literature and encouraging them to develop their own creative writing skills.

They work with local authorities, schools, and colleges so that young writers and students throughout Wales see the International Dylan Thomas Prize as something of which they are a part.

On April 5 with the aid of a professional actor, the junior children took part in a Dylan Thomas workshop in school. They were able to see and hear Dylan's story retold, which without doubt captured their imaginations and provided them with the perfect inspiration to enter. The workshop also gave them a fascinating insight into what being a child in 1920s Swansea was like!

The competition, which was entitled 'My Favourite Places and Spaces' is based around Reminiscences of Childhood - Dylan Thomas' classic recollection of the sights and sounds of his childhood and the pupils were able to submit a short story (100 words), poem or picture of their own favourite places and spaces.

There were over 800 entries and we were delighted to hear that two children from the school had been chosen as winners of this competition. Ava Chivers and Libby Jones were presented with their prizes in a special assembly this week.

We would like to say a big thank you to Matthew Hughes from Swansea University for all his help and we can't wait to enter the competition next year.

Written by Albert Primary School Media Monitors.

Fire Service rescues cat from Penarth boxing club roof

A firefighter bringing the cat down from the roof of the boxing club.

A PENARTH cat found himself on the ropes after getting trapped on the roof of a boxing club.

RSPCA Cymru was contacted after the cat was spotted stuck in guttering above Penarth Amateur Boxing Club. He had first been spotted by members of the public four days earlier.

RSPCA animal collection officer Fiona Thomas enlisted the support of the South Wales Fire and Rescue Service who were able to use their ladders to bring him to safety.

ACO Thomas said: "Thankfully, the cat didn't take a dive as he was a great height from the ground and clearly needed help.

"We were able to attend very soon after the call came to us, and were really grateful to the firefighters who came to help to help the cat. He was microchipped which meant we knew instantly where to take him."

For more information on the RSPCA, or to donate, go to: *www.rspca.org.uk.*

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Art exhibition

SULLY Art Group's 40th annual art exhibition will take place on Saturday, June 8 from 10am to 7pm and on Sunday, June 9 from 10am to 4pm in the Old School, Sully.

Come and see the work the group has done this year – most of the paintings are for sale, with 20 per cent of the money raised going to charity. All visitors are invited to vote for the best picture.

End of GCSEs prompts under-age drinking campaign in Penarth

SOUTH Wales Police will be joining various other organisations to tackle problems caused by under-age drinking in Penarth.

Police officers have been working with Community Alcohol Partnership (CAP), a community interest company, and an event earlier this month in the Paget Rooms was attended by representatives from South Wales Police, CAP, South Wales Fire and Rescue Service, Safer Vale Partnership, Vale Council, Penarth Town Council, Cardiff and Vale Health Board, The Switched On Team, St Cyres School, Stanwell School and local licensees.

CAPs aim to reduce the sale of alcohol to young people, advise on the dangers of drinking and provide alcohol-free activities through youth services and local charities.

Following recent reports of groups of young people drinking in the town centre, Penarth police officers have carried out surveys with local schools and residents. The data showed that only 15 per cent of the 16 and 17-year-olds surveyed had never consumed alcohol and 20 per cent said they drank alcohol at least once a week.

Figures showed that 20 per cent of residents who were surveyed said they witnessed young people consuming alcohol on a weekly basis in the centre of Penarth.

The Chief Inspector for the Vale of Glamorgan, Tony Williams, said: "The introduction of the CAP will complement the work that's already been undertaken by local officers and our partners, and hopefully will be a great example of police and agencies working together effectively, to reduce anti-social behaviour and make our communities better places to live, work and visit.

"At this time of year with pupils finishing their GCSE exams, we do tend to see an increase in underage drinking and I would urge local parents to help us by making sure they know where their teenagers are when they are out in the evenings.

"As well as carrying out patrols, seizing alcohol and taking action against teenagers who persistently drink alcohol, we are investigating where they are getting the alcohol from so that we can take further action if necessary.

"Adults who are found to be buying alcohol for under 18s can be fined and also risk further prosecution by the courts. Licensed premises can also be fined and may even lose their licence."

The CAP chairman Derek Lewis said: "Drinking alcohol at a young age brings serious risks to children's health and development and puts them in danger of both physical and social harm.

"They are far more likely to injure themselves or someone else, engage in unsafe sex, fail to reach their potential at school or engage in anti-social behaviour. CAPs are a tried and tested way of driving down underage drinking and creating better, safer and friendlier neighbourhoods."

'Welsh Government is giving incinerator protestors nothing'

THE Welsh Government (WG) has spent years trying to hide away from its serious failures when dealing with the incinerator on Barry Dock.

Recently the WG gave an announcement that is meant to appease us but it turns out it is legal gibberish. To make sure we read it in the way the WG wants us to, they get Jane Hutt to announce that, in effect, we have everything we want.

Wrong. It gives us nothing.

If the WG admitted that errors were made by them they could sort this out legally and in a way that was fair to us, the public living in Barry. Instead we have the offer of a consultation. We had two consultations about the incinerator. The public responded in great depth and the public's responses were ignored.

The WG even denied that the public was correct when it said the incinerator needed an Environmental Impact Assessment.

The WG now invents a process that is meant to resolve everything. In truth they have come up with a process that allows them (the people who got it all wrong) to decide if any errors were made by them. Bearing in mind they have been denying for years that they made any mistakes, what are the chances that this process, invented and run by them, will be fair?

These people want us to believe that a vague and thoroughly biased process will resolve an issue that they refuse to acknowledge exists. It is so crazy. We could not make it up.

We should be grateful to the WG for giving us their announcement. It proved beyond any doubt whatsoever that the WG thinks we are idiots who cannot see through a thinly veiled scam. The well-attended recent DIAG meeting which councillors of the Town and Vale councils attended agreed an alternative announcement. One that the WG is invited to adopt as it is the only way forward.

The insult the WG has thrown at us needs to be answered with a resounding refusal to be conned by an administration that is well past its sell by date. Its arrogance is beyond belief.

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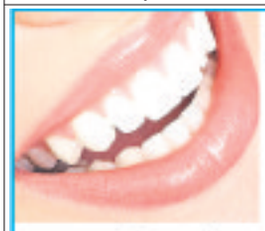
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'Penarth facing more congestion'

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Rod Harrod, the chairman of the link road group, said: "Government statistics estimate there are 1.4 cars per house so with 1,561 houses there could be as many as 2,185 more cars based in the area. People often make trips back and forth in the same day so the Penarth to Sully road could see over 4,000 extra trips a day.

"These figures are not scare stories. People can already see the congestion on our roads. Even without the extra 300 Wimpy homes there are already 80 new homes built at St Josephs on Sully Road and 298 planned for Llandough. They will all use the Merrie Harrier junction."

Mr Harrod said the Penarth to Sully road was already busy and that in the future it would also be taking more traffic from the expanding Waterfront development in Barry.

"As far back as 2013, before any of these developments were planned, consultants Capita Symonds were engaged by the Vale Council to compile a highways impact assessment. They predicted the Merrie Harrier will be 400 per cent over capacity by 2026."

Mr Harrod said the link road group is non-political and that he wants to engage with people concerned about the traffic congestion in the eastern Vale.

He said: "The Weltag process (Welsh transport guidance) specifies the need for alternative options on more than one (bypass) route to allow 'value-for-money' comparisons. The final recommendation and choice of route can only be reached once public consultations have taken place.

"These will be held in Barry, Penarth and Sully as well as Dinas Powys. We would welcome input from people throughout the area to join with us so that no-one can be accused of trying to do something to the detriment of their neighbours.

"For example, a few weeks ago several Vale councillors voted to remove the only route option that includes a connection to the Cog area. Although initial ground work has been carried out at a not inconsiderable public cost, it cannot be properly considered by our communities unless they have all the facts.

"This issue should be something for all the people of the eastern Vale to consider. Each area should have its own group."

He emphasised that his group doesn't favour any particular route: "It shouldn't be a 'nimby decision'; it will inevitably require compromise.

"But we want to make sure the final choice will stand firm when the Welsh Government assesses the application."

Mr Harrod added: "We need action over apathy. If everyone gets involved with the public consultation, there will be nothing for these critics to complain about afterwards."

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Coffee and Chat is at the Lamb & Flag, Wick, on Tuesday, June 11 at 11am.

A police surgery is on June 11 at Llantwit Major Library between 10.30am and 11.30am.

A police surgery is in the food hall at Atlantic College, St Donats from 4pm to 5.30pm on Friday, June 14.

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'Police feedback is important' - MP

VALE MP Alun Cairns has joined South Wales Police Barry Response Team 3 to see first-hand the work that our local police officers carry out in Barry.

Mr Cairns said: "I receive correspondence from constituents in Barry on police-related matters, which is why it's important for me to 'feed back' to our local police officers and keep up to date on the issues they are dealing with locally.

He added: "It was brilliant to see our local policing team in action, I was impressed with the professionalism and dedication of our police officers."

Penarth Town Council elects its new Mayor

COUNCILLOR Angela Thomas has been elected as the new Mayor for Penarth.

Town Mayor, Cllr Angela Thomas with her consort, Emma Ross.

Cllr Thomas represents the Plymouth ward and served as deputy mayor in 2018/2019, which included many duties and charity events alongside Cllr Jon Luxton, the mayor.

At the Town Council's annual general meeting on May 17, Cllr Rhiannon Birch Wilson proposed Cllr Thomas and the motion was seconded by Cllr Laura Rochefort.

Cllr Thomas named Emma Ross as her consort and she will also be supported by Cllr Mark Wilson, who was elected deputy Town Mayor.

Cllr Thomas succeeds Cllr Jon Luxton as Town Mayor and thanks were offered to Cllr Luxton for the dedication shown by himself, his Mayoress and his consort over the past year.

She will be fundraising throughout her year in office and her nominated charity is the National Autistic Society, Cardiff and Vale branch, a cause close to her heart.

Cllr Thomas said: "It's a great honour to be the Mayor of Penarth. I am looking forward to serving the people of Penarth over what's sure to be an exciting 12 months. I'm planning a series of charity events that reflect my own interests, including live music, dancing and coffee and, not least, a charity Hallowe'en Masquerade Ball."

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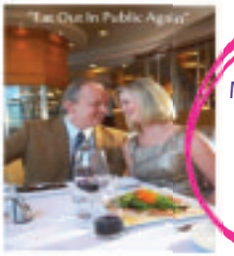

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Barry Air Cadets are confronted with the darkest days of World War Two

AIR Cadets from 372 (Barry) Squadron recently experienced a five-day trip to Poland.

The trip started with an emotional and thought-provoking guided tour of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the symbol of terror and genocide.

The visit started with a guided tour of the Auschwitz camp in the morning, followed by the Birkenau camp in the afternoon. The cold weather during the day illustrated the terrible conditions which the prisoners of the camps had to endure.

The cadets visited Block 11, which was a 'prison within a prison', where violators of the rules were cruelly punished in 'standing' or 'starvation' cells. The cadets also saw some of the victims' belongings, including suitcases, shoes and human hair.

The afternoon tour to the Birkenau extermination camp put into perspective murder on an industrial scale. The cadets saw the prisoner barracks, the unloading platform (ramp) where the process of selection took place – the point at which prisoners were chosen to work or were immediately killed in the gas chambers.

Cadet Mel Bradshaw said: "It was very hard to understand the cruelty which occurred at the Auschwitz and Birkenau camps."

Cadet Chloe Thomas said: "I found the Auschwitz and Birkenau tours very emotional and it is very hard to understand what horrible events took place there."

The cadets also visited the Kosciuszko mound with magnificent views of Krakow and the Vistula river. They visited the Wieliczka salt mine with statues, chapels and an entire cathedral all carved out of the rock salt.

They visited the Polish Aviation museum with Russian military aircraft as well as a Spitfire, Harrier and Tiger Moth aircraft. The cadets also had time to explore the Kazimierz Jewish district of Krakow.

Officer Commanding 372 Squadron, Squadron Leader Jason Horton, concluded: "Seeing at first hand the place where over a million people were killed was an eye opening experience, one which the cadets will always remember."

ABOVE: The cadets' trip to Poland also included a visit to the Polish Aviation Museum.

The cadets were: Luke Beecham, Calum Dowdell, Coffie Smith, Rhian Horton, Tash Gill, James Jelinski, Morgan Edgell, Tom John, Mel Bradshaw, Suki Pavalenthiran, Chloe Thomas and Keanu Coleman.

The cadets are now looking forward to an action packed summer programme of flying, gliding, shooting, adventure training, sport, sailing, expeditions, visits and camps.

If you have a spirit for adventure, 372 (Barry) Squadron has vacancies for boys and girls between 12-17 years old. The Squadron parade on Mondays and Wednesdays 7pm to 9.30pm behind Adams Funeral Parlour (by the Memorial Hall) or you can phone the Squadron on 01446 747734 or email *oc.372@aircadets.org* for more information about joining.

Hymns at Ebenezer

AN evening of traditional hymns will be held in Dinas Powys on Saturday, June 15 at 7pm in Ebenezer Chapel, Highwalls Road. The chapel is on the site of the oldest church building in Dinas Powys – come and enjoy beautiful hymns in a fine historic building.

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Barry teenagers sentenced to 19 years in detention following "vicious assault"

TWO Barry teenagers who attacked three men – leaving one fighting for his life – were sentenced at Cardiff Crown Court last week to a total of 19 years in detention.

Ian Huggins (18) and a 17-year-old, who cannot be named for legal reasons, each pleaded guilty to three counts of wounding with intent. The 17-year-old was sentenced to 10 years and Huggins was sentenced to nine years and three months in a young offenders' institution.

The teenagers assaulted their victims in the early hours of January 23, in North Walk, Barry.

All three victims, aged 23 to 27, were known to their assailants and received treatment in hospital for their injuries.

One of the victims, a 23-year-old man, was placed in a medically induced coma having sustained a number of puncture wounds, one of which had penetrated his heart.

In a personal victim statement, the 23-year-old victim said he still had no memory of the attack.

The court heard that the assault took place following a collision between a silver Ford Focus containing the defendants and a blue Ford Focus containing the victims.

The 23-year-old victim got out of the car and was stabbed multiple times by the defendants leaving him with life-threatening injuries which required major surgery. The defendants then turned their attention to those inside the car where they attacked the other two victims.

The 26-year-old man suffered cuts to his head and the 27-year-old man sustained injuries to his hand and left side of his body. They were able to escape their attackers following which the defendants set the interior of one of the cars alight before driving away in the other.

Ian Huggins.

The pair were quickly arrested and a bladed keyring and two knives were recovered from subsequent searches.

During the sentencing, Judge Eleri Rees told the defendants that whatever the provocation they faced, both of them went on the offensive and there was no justification for the level of violence used against the three victims. Judge Rees also made it clear to the two defendants that it was fortunate for them that the 23-year-old victim had pulled through and it was no exaggeration that he almost died.

Detective Inspector Simon Morgan, of Barry CID, said: "This was a vicious assault which could have easily led to a man losing his life. But for a few millimetres, this would have been a murder investigation. I hope the sentences provide some closure for the victims and their families.

"The positive response from the community throughout our investigation has been crucial in securing these sentences. I would also like to thank the team at Barry CID, and in particular the officer in the case, for their hard work in ensuring the convictions of these two violent individuals and keeping the communities of Barry safe."

He added: "South Wales Police is committed to tackling knife crime and robustly dealing with those involved in such criminality. We hope these significant sentences send out a strong message to anyone considering carrying or using a knife for criminal purposes to think of the consequences.

"We would urge anyone with any information regarding the use or carrying of knives to contact us via 101 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111."

Rotary Club is planning a special summer fete

From left: David Jakeway, Leah, Tom, Alfie, Ditty the Duck and Rotary associate member Jane Lamey.

ON June 1, three-year-old Alfie, with his mum Leah and dad Tom, spent some time with Ditty the Duck and members of the Rotary Club of Barry who were in Cosmeston Park, inviting visitors to sponsor ducks for the club's annual duck race and summer fete in the Knap Gardens, Barry, on the afternoon of Saturday, July 20.

A Rotary spokesperson said: "This will be a fun-filled family day at the beginning of the school holidays with something for everyone.

"It costs £1 to sponsor a duck and this year's duck race winner will win a £200 cash prize! Proceeds from the duck race will be used by Barry Rotary Club to support local good causes.

"There will be other opportunities to sponsor ducks via local traders and at Asda supermarket, Barry, on July 6 and 7, as well as on the day at the Knap. Full details will be announced shortly."

Barry Rotary president-elect David Jakeway and his wife Lynne, also a Rotarian, said that the club had decided to build on the success of last year's event with even more things for people to see and do, while providing a showcase for lots of local groups and charity fundraisers. Last year's event was a great success and this year promises to be even more successful.

All enquiries regarding the event should be made to David Jakeway by email on davidjakeway@outlook.com or call 01446 400246 or 07533 048620.

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Local volunteers' work in organising festivals and events brings the Vale together...

OVER the past few weeks, we have had many opportunities for people to come together in the Vale to enjoy music, walking and friendship at festivals and events organised by volunteers.

I have taken part in many of these, enjoying a concert at the Dinas Powys Music Festival celebrating the 80th anniversary of the Dinas Powys WI as part of a popular programme over a two week period.

Attending concerts as part of the 50th anniversary of the Vale of Glamorgan Music Festival was also a treat. This festival is directed by Welsh composer John Metcalf with a range of composers from Wales and the world coming to Wales for premieres of their works, including events on Barry Island Promenade, St Fagans, Ewenny Priory and Penarth Pier.

The Vale of Glamorgan Walking Festival organised by Valeways also took place during this festival week, starting in Porthkerry Park. It was followed by walks led by volunteers across the county, including one at the Vale Council Docks Office in Barry which I joined with a group of walkers, to mount the stairs to the clock tower and learn more about the history of Barry.

Attending the CAOS production of *Jesus Christ Superstar* at Rhoose Community Centre to celebrate their 50th anniversary was also a joy, with a packed hall and over 40 taking part in the show, which was a great success.

The Knap Gardens Friendship Tree Festival last weekend was also supported by volunteers backing local artist Glyn Pooley, who organises regular Art4U events throughout the year with stalls, music and poetry promoting peace and friendship in these challenging and uncertain times.

Vale AM **JANE HUTT** reports to GEM readers

I would like to thank all those who organise and support these festivals in the Vale, which also included the Cowbridge Food and Drink Festival over the Bank Holiday and the ongoing Barry Arts Festival events.

It is Volunteering Week this week, and every day there are events involving volunteers, including the Barry Stroke Club which I will be attending on June 6 at Age Connects on Holton Road. Thank you to GVS (Glamorgan Voluntary Service) for supporting so many voluntary groups across the Vale.

This week, we are remembering the 75th anniversary of D-Day and preparing for the Service of Remembrance on Sunday, June 9 at the Memorial Hall and at events across Wales. There are many memories being shared and a few survivors reminding us of their experiences.

My mother and father met during that time when they were young students (physiotherapy and medicine) receiving the British, Italian and German soldiers at a hospital outside London with terrible stories of the suffering of the wounded they were treating.

There are many opportunities for us to 'join together' at these events of celebration and commemoration and we will be reflecting on this at the 'Great Get Together' on June 21 in memory of Jo Cox MP, who was murdered in an act of hatred. Her sister visited the Senedd recently, meeting Party Leaders and encouraged us to organise community events where we find we have 'more in common' than divides us.

I firmly believe that we can join together and find a way forward to enjoy, celebrate, commemorate and give our time to volunteer for the good of the community.

Look out for my event at the Beach Huts on Barry Island on June 21, organised with the Royal British Legion.

Fantastic support for charity's eyecare project

A FUNDRAISING dinner in support of local charity Vale for Africa was held recently at the Cardiff North Hotel.

The charity is a voluntary community link project between the Vale and the Tororo region of Eastern Uganda and it focuses on health and education initiatives. The evening was a great success and helped raise £1,259 in support of the charity's flagship 'Eyecare' project.

Gareth Kiddie, chair of Vale for Africa, explained: "The eyecare project involves a small volunteer team of optometrists and a GP going out to the Tororo district of Uganda. During a week-long stay our team will train local health care workers as well as providing much needed eye care equipment. All of our volunteers self-fund the cost of their trip, but we still need to raise money to cover the costs of the equipment they take with them."

Vale for Africa's Eyecare project is led by local optician Ted Arbuthnot.

Ted said: "In the remote rural villages, a pair of reading glasses can help transform people's lives. Last year we came across a locksmith who was out of work. We tested his eyes, provided him with the appropriate pair of reading glasses and he was able to get back to work immediately, and once again support his family. That pair of glasses cost us just three pounds."

The charity dinner was organised by Vale for Africa trustee Dr Hasmukh Shah BEM. Many of those attending were doctors of Indian origin, a community that has played a vital role in supporting the NHS in Wales and has provided long-standing support to a range of charitable initiatives.

Dr Shah commented: "Some of the doctors here this evening have first-hand experience of living and working in Uganda and know the challenges that are faced by the people who live there, most especially in the remote rural areas that this project targets. Part of the success of our fundraising dinners is because our colleagues and friends know that they can make a real difference by supporting our efforts."

If you would like further information about the Vale for Africa, or wish to volunteer in some way, contact the chair, Gareth Kiddie, on: gareth@gka.org.uk.

Vale MP meets Royal British Legion ahead of commemoration

VALE MP Alun Cairns has met The Royal British Legion (RBL), both in Westminster and in Barry, ahead of next month's 75th anniversary commemoration of the D-Day Landings.

Mr Cairns welcomed the charity to Parliament and spoke at the Wales-focused event in his role as Secretary of State for Wales. The Vale MP thanked the RBL team for the service they provide across Wales and spoke of his work with the Barry branch over the years, which includes holding a '100 Wreath Memorial' on the 100th anniversary of the end of World War One.

The Royal British Legion's Wales area manager, Antony Metcalfe, attended the event in Parliament along with military veteran Chris Headon and representatives of the charity.

Antony Metcalfe the Legion's area manager for Wales, said: "This event offered a great opportunity for us to spread the word about the range of services that we provide in Wales and for Alun to hear first-hand from a number of people who we have supported since they left the Forces."

Locally, Mr Cairns met the chair of The RBL's Barry branch, Teresa Goodwin, and community support officer, Amanda Wells. He said he was very impressed with the work they are doing locally and discussed preparations ahead of the 75th D-Day Landing Commemorations on June 9 at St Mary's Church, Holton Road, Barry.

Ms Goodwin said: "We are increasing our activity with ex-service families in the area and are pleased that Alun Cairns will be supporting us with a social media campaign explaining the services that the Royal British Legion provides. You can find more information on our Facebook page 'RBL Poppy Appeal, Barry and Area'."

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22nd June 2019

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Sun shines bright on 10th Vale Walking Festival

A SUCCESSFUL 10th Vale of Glamorgan Walking Festival took place in glorious weather last week, with visitors and locals alike enjoying the perfect walking conditions, with around 400 people taking part.

Organised by Valeways, the countryside access charity, the event has now become a regular spring fixture in south Wales. A well-attended launch took place at Forest Lodge, Porthkerry on May 21 and a large band of walkers snaked up the woodland hill towards the picturesque lime-washed Porthkerry Church in dappled sunlight.

A trek through the woods gave stunning varied views of the viaduct and Bristol Channel, and walk leader Mel Stewart explained plans for a channel-side wildlife meadow on the site of the old golf course which is currently being planned.

Valeways chair, Phil Gibbins, said: "This year we extended the Festival into six days, due to popular demand and the sun was with us almost everyday – apart from the traditional Bank Holiday Sunday morning drizzle, of course.

"We had perfect conditions to showcase everything the Vale has to offer. Our longest trek was a 12-mile event, leaving from Monknash, we explored stretches of coast and also visited some of the Vale's celebrated villages such as Colwinston, Penmark and Llancarfan. We looked at woodland and wildlife, and history from Romans to World War Two."

The Festival ended with a celebratory Sundowner walk on Barry Island.

Phil said: "The great thing is that each year the festival attracts new people to the Vale and to Valeways' year-round programme.

"We run twice weekly walk-and-clear sessions, to keep Vale paths safe and open; we organise very popular stroller walks for seniors, and others for people with particular physical and mental health needs, as well as regular free guided walks for all.

"We celebrate the festival as an event which attracts attention to the whole range of good work we do across the Vale.

"For us, it's just the start of a busy summer."

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Vale MP says UK Government is planning to help Wales

VALE MP Alun Cairns says the Government is putting together an industrial strategy that will serve the interests of Wales.

The Welsh Secretary said in the Commons he has been working closely with Cabinet colleagues and the Welsh Government to ensure that Wales benefits from it. He said the Government has already delivered a number of projects in Wales, with the country receiving £90 million from the industrial strategy challenge fund.

Mr Cairns said there are record numbers of people in work in Wales. He told MPs: "I highlighted earlier the £90 million from the 'Strength In Places' fund that had been made available to the UK's industrial strategy, making Wales fourth in the UK for the value of grants it receives."

Questioned on the Government's decision not to proceed with the Swansea Bay tidal lagoon, Mr Cairns said that project would have been three times more expensive than an available alternative. Mr Cairns pressed the Welsh Government to get on with making a decision on an M4 relief road around Newport.

He said: "The money is available and the planning recommendations are in favour — all we need is a decision from the Welsh Government."

Report by Michael Prosser

Sam leads Velindre fundraisers on an American adventure

WALES and Lions' captain Sam Warburton is all set to lead a bike ride to raise funds for Velindre Cancer Centre, where he has been a patron for over eight years.

The Three Canyons Bike Challenge takes place in September 2020 and the 530km ride will go through the states of Arizona, Utah and Nevada. The ride will take cyclists through Zion, Bryce and the Grand Canyon before a grandstand finish in Las Vegas.

Lions Legend Sam, who recently donated £10,000 from his testimonial year to Velindre, said: "I always said that as soon as I finished playing I wanted to be on a Velindre bike ride. I've seen the other patrons like Martyn Williams, Jonathan Davies and Shane Williams on them and they looked amazing. So I'm really looking forward to leading the Three Canyons ride – it will be a fantastic experience!

"We are holding a Three Canyons information session on July 4 at 7pm where you can find out more about the ride. If you would like to attend the information session, email: info@velindrefundraising.com;

"If you would like to join me on the ride you can get more information at www.velindrefundraising.com/events/3canyonsbikeride."

Head of fundraising at Velindre Andrew Morris said: "Sam has been itching for years to be on a Velindre bike challenge, but I suppose becoming a Wales and Lions' legend takes up a lot of time!

"I'm sure he will be getting some cycling tips from his fellow Velindre patron Geraint Thomas. The Three Canyons Ride is an incredible route and Sam and all the cyclists will thoroughly enjoy the joint challenges of completing the 530km ride and raising funds for Velindre Cancer Centre."

The Three Canyons Bike Ride takes place from September 26 to October 3 2020, and a minimum sponsorship of £6,000 is required.

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Abandoned bulldog pup Enzo needs a lifesaving operation

A LOCAL charity is fundraising to give a young puppy a life-saving operation.

British Bulldog pup Enzo was given away by his breeder in Cardiff at just three days old with serious health issues.

He was entrusted to the care of Hope Rescue in Llanharan, where he is being cared for by a volunteer fosterer who is also a vet nurse.

Amy Greenfield, fundraising manager at Hope Rescue, said: "The pup has a cleft palate, which makes it difficult and dangerous for him to eat normally. He has required around the clock care since he came into the charity's ownership in January and has already undergone several procedures to help him to eat and drink safely, including having a feeding tube fitted.

"He is now being fed carefully by hand to prevent food entering his airway and infecting his lungs, but this is not a long term solution for a growing pup.

The charity hopes to raise enough money to fund Enzo's surgery.

"As he is now strong enough to survive a general anaesthetic, he has been referred to experts at the Langford Animal Hospital in Bristol. He had his first surgical appointment on May 29 and may require two further reconstructive surgeries. The total cost for his treatment has been quoted at £9,000 and without this life-saving operation, Enzo simply will not survive.

"Enzo is a little fighter and currently has a good quality of life. As a typical puppy, he loves getting up to mischief and enjoys barking at his foster parents and canine foster brother.

"The charity is asking donors to make a gift on their website at www.hoperescue.org.uk, over the phone on 01443 226 659 or by post at Hope Rescue, Cynllan Lodge, Old Llanharry Road, Llanharan CF72 9NH. Every penny raised will bring the charity one step closer to giving Enzo a chance at a full life.

"As a small charity, we simply don't have the funds to operate without the support of the local community. The charity has already raised £2,000 and it is hoped that animal lovers will get behind his appeal so that Enzo can thrive and grow into a healthy adult dog.

AM asks rail bosses for more trains in the Vale

Vale AM Jane Hutt with James Price.

ON May 24, Vale AM Jane Hutt met James Price of Transport for Wales to discuss prospects for more frequent Barry to Bridgend Vale rail services, to meet passenger demand.

Jane Hutt said: "I was delighted to be part of the Welsh Government that made it a priority to reopen the Vale rail services and stations between Barry and Bridgend nearly 15 years ago with an hourly service.

"Since that time I have pressed for at least half hourly services to be introduced to meet the needs of passengers and take cars off the busy Vale roads.

"A commitment has been made to extend to half hourly services by 2023, but I want that brought forward. I made the case to the Transport for Wales chief today, pressing the need for commuters, school and college students, local residents, visitors and the new Aston Martin workforce."

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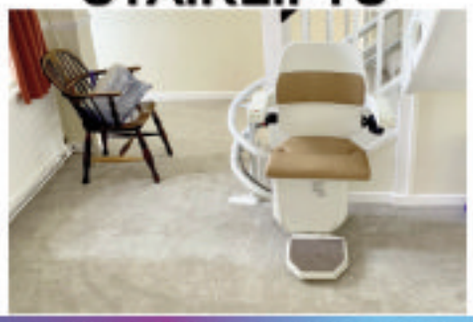
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Both podiatrists like to keep abreast of the latest developments in the podiatry world, and regularly read journal articles and attend professional development courses.

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ARE YOU A CARER?

Carers Week

Carers are really important to us, to the communities where they live and, to the people they care for.

Carers freely give their time and energy to support friends or family.

If you are a Carer, Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan Health and Social Care Partnership want to know what you think about our plan for making the region a supportive and helpful environment in which carers, and those who benefit from their work, can thrive.

We are looking for a small group of people to take part in discussion groups to tell us what you think about our draft Carers Strategy, and to share ideas about how we can make things better for carers.

Channel View Leisure Centre, Grangetown	YMCA Court Road, Barry
06 June at 10.30am	12 June at 13.30pm
06 June at 13.30pm	21 June at 10.30am
11 June at 10.30am	

Each session will be 2 hours long.

We are offering Time Credits to those who take part.

If you'd like more info or need help with transport arrangements contact: beckyjones@wearetempo.org or phone the Tempo office on 02920 566132

If you are a Carer, but can't come along to one of the discussion groups, please could you help us by completing this consultation?

The closing date for this consultation is 30th June 2019.

For **young carers** (aged under 18) please visit **www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=155914333293** to complete the consultation in English,

or **www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=155914321179** to complete it in Welsh.

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Let's all get connected in Carers' Week

THE 2011 Census tells us there are 15,575 people in the Vale caring for an ill, frail or disabled family member or friend.

These people are 'carers' but they would probably say: "I'm just being a husband, a wife, a mum, a dad, a son, a daughter, a friend or a good neighbour."

Carers are people who provide, or intend to provide care for an adult or a disabled child, whether or not the person cared for is receiving any social care services. The care they provide is unpaid.

People become carers under many different circumstances. For example, you may be caring for someone born with a disability or who has had an accident that left them disabled; they may have an illness or disease. Their problems may be physical or mental. They might need help because they are getting older and frail.

Carers' Week is an annual campaign to raise awareness of caring, highlight the challenges carers face and recognise the contribution they make to families and communities. It is backed by eight major charities: the theme for 2019 is 'Getting Carers Connected'.

If this sounds like your situation then you may be interested to hear about local events taking place in the Vale next week (full details can be seen via an event search via *www.carersweek.org/get-involved/events-near-you*).

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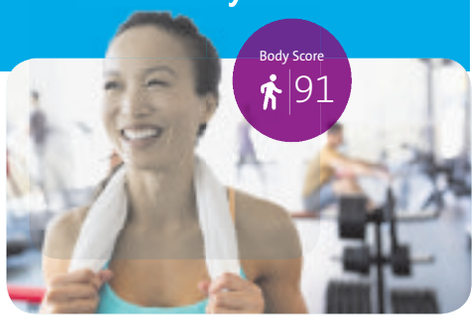

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New 'Bag scheme' will promote Barry High Street all year round

The new High Street reusable bag aims to raise funds which can be used to market and promote the local shopping area.

TEN High Street businesses in Barry have banded together to produce a 100 per cent cotton reusable shopping bag.

It means fewer plastic bags will be used and the money raised can go towards improvements in the street.

The bag is the first High Street branded product to be 'piloted' by the traders with the aim of raising funds that will be reinvested in the marketing and regeneration of the local area.

Cathy Harrison of The Gallery Boutique came up with the idea and said: "All 10 businesses have invested their own money in producing the bags which will sell for £5 each.

"One hundred percent of the profits will be reinvested to create a sustainable marketing strategy and improvements to the street, whether it is flower displays or signs.

"High Street has an enviable reputation for its annual events and they will continue, but this scheme is aimed at all year around promotion of the High Street.

"We really hope that our customers get behind the initiative as we've got loads of ideas to be rolled out and traders keen to sponsor them."

The bags can be purchased for £5 from the sponsoring shops: Miss Holmes, Giggles Toys, Bryls Boutique, The Grind House, Budding Designs, Food for Thought deli, Homemade Wales, Jacquie's Fruit and Veg, The Gallery Boutique and High Street Pharmacy.

'Still waiting for bypass – 49 years on'

I NOTE from last week's GEM that the campaign group lobbying for a Dinas Powys bypass has rebranded itself 'The Barry to Cardiff Link Road Group'.

One can only hope that this dedicated and hard-working band has some tangible success at long last, but I won't be holding my breath. For whatever reason, the political will has never been there, even though the situation has now become chronic.

When my wife and I moved to our house in the village, I remarked to the estate agent that there seemed to be a significant traffic problem. I've never forgotten his reply: "Oh, don't worry about that – we'll have our bypass in a few years".

That was 49 years ago.

A friend who had a dental practice on Cardiff Road, along with her late husband, recalls it being discussed even then, in the 1950s!

I suspect that future historians will put the bypass into a context somewhere between Theresa May's Brexit and Billy Bunter's postal order.

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What is the Offer?

30 hours a week of funded early education and childcare for eligible parents of 3 and 4 year olds, for up to 48 weeks of the year. The 30 hours will consist of a combination of the existing Foundation Phase Nursery (12.5 hours) open to all 3 and 4 year olds, and the additional funded childcare (17.5 hours) for eligible families. During the school holidays it will just consist of 30 hours funded childcare, for three weeks per term.

How do I apply?

The second round of applications will open on the 10th June for children who were born between April 1st and August 31st 2016. If you apply between June 10th and June 28th, you will hear whether your funding has been approved by July 19th. Funding for eligible parents will start on September 2nd. Applications are already open for children who were three years old before 31st March 2019.

You (and your partner, in a two-parent family) will need to submit three months of payslips, or your self-assessment form, your recent council tax letter and your child's birth certificate – scanned copies or uploaded photos are accepted.

You can apply online: **www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/fis**

Who can access the Offer?

Parent/s must be employed or self-employed and permanently reside in the Vale of Glamorgan; both parents must be working in a two parent family, or the sole parent in a lone parent family and earn a weekly minimum equivalent of 16 hours at the national minimum wage (NMW) or national living wage (NLW) and be able to prove they are working via their earnings. Parents must be earning less than £100,000 each. Further information is available regarding parents on maternity/paternity leave, certain types of benefits claimed etc.

More information is available on the Family Information Service website: **www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/fis** or phone 01446 704704

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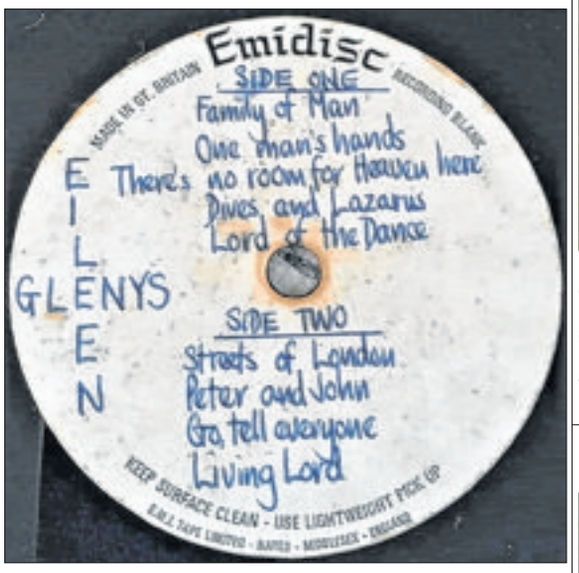
Mystery record handed in at Oxfam Penarth



Eileen and Glenys created this disc in 1971 or 1972 – but do you know who they are?

THE Oxfam shop in Penarth has appealed to GEM readers to help identify the singing duo on a rare record that was handed in at the shop.

The disc in question is an EMI acetate disc by 'Eileen and Glenys' who have written the details of the songs on the label.

The disc contains nine songs featuring the two young women accompanying themselves on guitar. It was recorded in 1971 or 1972. The style is folk and contains songs with a social and religious content such as Lord of the Dance, Streets of London and Family of Man.

Caroline Mumford, the shop manager, said: "We would love to know who Eileen and Glenys were, why and where they recorded the songs, how many copies they made and if they went on to make other records.

"We think they are probably local to the area as all our donations of vinyl come from local people. If anyone knows who Eileen or Glenys are or where they can be contacted, we would love to hear from them to help us put the record in context. We will let GEM readers know if we find out more about the record."

'Emidisc' blank discs were sold to disc cutting studios around the world. The blank discs were available in various sizes for use as master discs for the production of records and in 7", 10" and 12" sizes for direct cut discs that could be taken home and played on a regular turntable.

Sue Jones, the deputy shop manager, added: "This is the first time we have had an Emidisc donated since the shop began to stock more vinyl five years ago. Since then the shop has built up a reputation for selling good quality second hand vinyl records at fair prices and we have a wide range of regular customers. Our main problem is finding enough vinyl for our customers to buy!"

The shop welcomes donations of vinyl, CDs and cassettes of all genres.

Anyone who knows more about Eileen or Glenys can call Caroline at the shop on 02920 706358.

Utilities company revamps Ty Hafan distribution centre

THIRTY-THREE employees from Western Power Distribution made light work of sorting and storing more than 725 bags of donated stock for local children's hospice Ty Hafan.

Over four days, some of the apprentices and trainers sorted raw stock into the relevant distribution bays while other staff improved the newly emptied bays to make better use of the existing storage.

Another team created a shelving unit which will make the turnaround of stock easier for the shops, and a new PAT testing station was built so that electrical items could be sorted and tested ready for the shelves.

Darren Berry, one of the trainers involved, who also co-ordinated the challenge, explained: "Each year, our apprentices take on a community project and this year we were delighted to work with Ty Hafan and make some positive changes to the distribution centre facilities.

"The aim of each project is to provide a valuable resource to a local charity while giving the apprentices an opportunity to expand their skills, in a setting which is often so different to their normal work day."

'Amazing' and 'spectacular', were just a few of the words used by retail distribution manager for Ty Hafan, Kevin Shanahan to describe his surprise at what was achieved in just four days.

He said: "It was an absolute pleasure to work with the WPD team last week. On behalf of Ty Hafan and all the families who are supported by our services, I cannot thank WPD enough for the transformation they have made to the warehouse.

"The sorting of 725 bags of clothes into men's, women's and children's will mean we can keep replenishing our shops with fresh stock much quicker and generate much needed income to provide frontline care to children and their families."

Green fingers at local school

THE Eco Club at Llantwit Major School have been busy growing their own vegetables from seed in an effort to promote sustainable food and encourage people to reduce their food miles, and eat seasonally.

Pupils reused old seed trays to plant the produce including Tumbling Tom tomatoes, courgettes and lettuce. They then grew the seedlings in the geography classrooms on a south facing windowsill.

Then, using some clever knots and recycled pots, pupils made hanging baskets for the Tumbling Toms. Pupils then turned their green fingers to business and held a very successful plant sale for all the students and staff.

Well done, Llantwit Eco Club!

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Knap Gardens Friendship Tree festival

Jane Hutt with Barry Action for Nature.

VALE AM Jane Hutt, local friends and visitors supported the Friendship Tree festival in the Knap Gardens on June 2, with a raffle and stalls alongside the tree, covered with friendship messages.

Ms Hutt said: "With music, poetry and stalls in the beautiful gardens with wild flowers flourishing, the Friendship Tree festival was a joy to support. Thanks go to Glyn Pooley and his team of volunteers".

News in brief

Deaf/Blind Cymru advice

IF your sight or hearing has started to deteriorate or you recognise this in a loved one, then don't be afraid to talk to someone about it.

Deaf/Blind Cymru help people with any level of dual sensory loss, with support tailored to individual needs, and provide outreach services and befriending. Why not come along to Age Connects Cardiff and Vale Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry on Tuesday, June 11 from 10am to 12pm to our drop-in? No appointment is needed, just come along and have a chat to someone from Deaf/Blind Cymru. Call 0446 732385 for further information.

How to use a defibrillator

AS part of the Pyle Festival Week activities, KPC Youth & Community in Pyle are hosting a defibrillator training session run by St John's Ambulance - a chance to learn more about how to use a public access AED; this will teach you how to administer CPR, as well as give you the knowledge and confidence you'll need to deal with an emergency situation.

The session will be held on Friday, June 14 from 1pm - 3pm. Book your free place by calling us on 01656 749219.

What's on and where?

Penarth Aviation

FRIDAY, June 7 the Penarth Aviation Society will meet in the Penarth Conservative Club at 8pm.

Our speaker this month will be society member David Ephraim whose topic will be 'The V-Force and its place in history'. The names Vulcan, Victor and Valiant will no doubt be familiar to all people who lived through the height of the Cold War in the 1950s and 60s.

Some other aircraft that might have been used in these roles will be removed from obscurity; the use that the aircraft had post-1980s will be examined as well.

Why not join the Society? We meet on the first Friday of the month at the Penarth Conservative Club. Visitors and potential members are welcome to attend a meeting, for a small donation, to sample our hospitality.

Further information may be found on our website www.penarthaviation-society.co.uk,

Facebook page (www.facebook.com/penarthaviationsociety.co.uk) and from secretary Barrie Howell on (029) 21322385.

Childhood Sight Loss Group

DO you have a child with sight loss? The Children and Young People's team at Guide Dogs Cymru has set up an Early Years Group for ages 0-4 in Barry.

The group brings together babies and pre-school children with vision impairment in an environment that encourages early movement and learning through play. It also gives parents the opportunity to meet and share experiences, build confidence and receive support to maximise their child's potential.

Sessions run from 10.30am - 11.30am in Castleland Community Centre, Barry, on the following dates: June 10 and 24, July 8 and 22, and August 5. For more information, or to book your space, email michelle.green@guidedogs.org.uk or call 07468 711894.

Lunchtime concert

THE seventh and final concert at All Saints Church, Penarth in the successful spring season of Music at Lunchtime recitals takes place on Monday, June 10 from 1pm to 2pm with doors open at 12.30pm.

Playing at All Saints for the first time, the Piolo Trio are Poppy Wheeler (flute), Georgie Arnold (viola) and Emily Harris (harp).

The trio's repertoire includes classical, popular and light music. Entry is free to Music at Lunchtime concerts with a voluntary retiring collection, the proceeds of which are shared between the church and a charity of the performer/s choice.

Visit www.allsaintspenarth.org.uk or ring Dafydd Jones on 07941 778 629 for further information.

TeleV Project

THE TeleV Project aims to help vulnerable people manage the risks of living in their own homes with a simple, easy to use device.

An adviser from the project will be available to chat to on Tuesday, June 11 from 10am to 12pm at Age Connects Cardiff and Vale Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry. No appointment is needed. Call 01446 732385 for further information.

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The first new joiners... Andrew O'Leary (F9 films); Chris Gill (BJZ); Barry Quinn (Peninsula Business Services); Perry Tate (Perry's Vehicle Repairs); Ashley Davies (A&R cleaning); Chris Cody (Mister Window).

A new forum, the Bridgend and the Vale Business Club (BVBC), is well and truly established and meets in the Heronstone Hotel, Bridgend, on a Thursday every two weeks.

Following its launch, the club has been adding new members regularly, with local business people finding that it fits in very well with their working week.

Club members find the early morning breakfast format works well, and it means that they do not lose any of the working day as a result of the Heronstone meeting.

However, the ultimate aim is to help each of the members develop their own business by bringing their complementary skills and experience together.

The chair of the business club, Lindsay Roberts, who is an independent financial advisor, told The GEM that the group prized its independence and intended to guard that very carefully.

The committee: Back row ...Steve Richmond, Lindsay Roberts, Matthew Sulley, Tim Hughes, Alun Butler, Andrew Mcgee, Steve Pring. Front row...Lady Helen Morgan-Wooldridge, Lizzie Memory, Ben Rowlands.

He said: "We want meetings to be local, personal and relevant to members. As networking groups grow, they inevitably get less personal, so we want the club to have a wide base of different business expertise, but retain the personal touch.

"We have shared values of honesty, integrity and truth.""

The group is still growing, with members inviting guests along to see how it all works. Meetings are relaxed, and there is no pressure.

However, in the time they have been meeting, they can already point to significant success as a result of their collaborative approach.

Lindsay said: "Recently, four members of the group were made aware of an office refurbishment scheme, and pooled their skills and submitted a joint tender, which was successful.

"It was a £500,000 contract," he added.

Members at the moment come from Port Talbot in the west as far as Talbot Green, Penarth and Newport in the east, and they all want to emphasise that Bridgend is a good place to do business.

The Bridgend and the Vale Business Club (BVBC) can be contacted by email on *TheBVBC@gmail.com*

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Welfare officer checks on 'large number of horses' left in Vale field

AN official has been to check on the welfare of a large number of horses left on land near Aberthaw cement works.

Last week, members of the public contacted The GEM to say they were concerned about the welfare of around 40 horses because they were on land that could flood at high tide and there was a lack of shelter.

Andrew RT Davies, AM for South Wales Central and councillor for Rhoose, also said he was "deeply concerned" about the horses and had raised concerns with the Vale Council and South Wales Police.

The RSPCA is also aware of the situation.

This week, a Vale Council spokesperson said: "The council is aware that a large number of horses have been left on land at the location in question. An animal health and welfare officer attended the site and established that there are no immediate welfare concerns. They are also secure and not at risk of wandering onto the highway.

"We are currently investigating the matter to establish exactly who owns the land and whether they have consented for the horses to be there. If not, the council will work with the landowner to consider the most effective action to resolve the matter."

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'Barry at War' volunteers head for Pegasus Bridge

BARRY at War patron and Barry Tourist Railway director, John Buxton visited northern France to take part in the 75th anniversary commemorations of the Normandy landings.

He was accompanied by his son, Oliver, and among the sites they visited was the famous Pegasus Bridge at Bénouville. The little café next to the bridge was the first building in France to be liberated by the Allied Forces at 0016hrs on June 6, 1944.

A unit of the glider infantry, led by Major John Howard, completely surprised the German defenders and took Pegasus Bridge intact together with the nearby Orne Bridge. They held both bridges until relieved by advancing Allied Forces.

John and Oliver spent time at Pegasus Café, part of which is a museum to a key moment in the Second World War.

John said: "It was very moving to be present at this iconic location and to read about the brave deeds of the men who prevented German armour from crossing the bridges and attacking the landings at the famous 'Sword Beach'.

"It is important to remember those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom today. The United Kingdom stood alone against the Nazi tyranny and our museum located at Barry Island Station tells the story of the contribution Barry made in defeating this evil regime. Barry played a really important role in the D-Day landings of which every resident should be proud'.

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John and Oliver Buxton in front of the Pegasus Café and Museum.

Village open gardens day

THE picturesque village of Llancarfan is to open some of its private gardens for charity on Saturday, June 15, to raise funds for Children's Air Ambulance Wales and look forward to welcoming friends and visitors.

Set in the shallow valley of Nant Carfan, woodland and enfolding fields provide an attractive backdrop to the gardens included in the Open Garden Day. Each garden offers individual interest, or character: from cottage garden and water features to a section of carnivorous plants.

It is also a unique opportunity to experience different view-points of this historic village. In addition, Saint Cadoc's Church with its wonderful medieval wall paintings will also be open to the public.

Entry is £5 per adult for admission to all gardens participating in the Open Day; children under 16 free. Opening times are 11am to 4pm and refreshments will be available to purchase from The Fox and Hounds public house.

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Farewell to 'visionary campaigner'

VALE AM Jane Hutt has paid tribute to Dilys Colbourne MBE, who passed away on June 2.

"It was with great sadness that I learnt from her devoted family that Dilys Colbourne MBE passed away on Sunday," said Ms Hutt.

"Dilys was a pioneering and visionary campaigner playing a leading role in the Barry Citizens Action Group. She took part in the successful campaign to keep Central Park 'green' – obtaining funding to refurbish the park with play facilities and sculptures, and the rebuilding of the library and art gallery.

"Obtaining Green Flag status for Central Park was a triumph in 2014 and I joined the ceremony with the late Mayor of Barry Town Council, Cllr Jeff Evans.

"My most recent memories take me to Cwm Talwg Nature Reserve on a Sunday morning with a flask of coffee and a working party to keep the Woodland habitable for birds and wildlife, led by Dilys Colbourne MBE.

"My sincerest condolences and thoughts are with her family. We celebrate her life as a great citizen of Barry."

Art Group's annual exhibition

THE annual Dinas Powys Art Group exhibition will be held on Saturday, June 29, and Sunday, June 30, in the Parish Hall, Britway Road, Dinas Powys.

Last year was the Art Group's most successful exhibition, with many visitors commenting on the high standard of artwork on display.

The group of artists use a variety of different media, providing an eclectic mix of paintings for the exhibition.

Every year, the group sets a special challenge for the artists, where each member is asked to submit one painting based on a specific theme, which this year is 'Music'.

The exhibition will also include a children's art competition for year-5 pupils of Dinas Powys Primary School on the theme of 'Rivers'. The paintings will be judged by Barry artist and principal tutor of the Dinas Powys Art Group, Glyn Pooley.

The winners will be announced at 3pm on Saturday, June 29 by John Fanshaw, chair of Dinas Powys Community Counci. The council has donated funds towards the running of the competition.

Paintings are for sale. Admission is £2 and proceeds of the raffle and 20 per cent of picture sales will be donated to two local charities; Dinas Powys Voluntary Concern and Dinas Powys Community Library. Light refreshments will be available.

A day out in Dewstow for Cadoxton WI

WHAT a busy month we've had at Cadoxton WI.

Our monthly meeting was held on May 20 when the members were wonderfully entertained by Gillian Hadfield and her dog Zimmie, who gave us an insight on Dogs For The Deaf, followed by tea and coffee. The raffle prizes for the month were won by Kate Mailer and Audrey Stansfield.

Our other events over the month included a lovely evening meal at the Cwm Talwg, the GFWI fashion show (which was a day we will never forget!) and finally a fantastic day out in the sunshine at Dewstow Gardens and grottoes in Caerwent.

Monthly meetings are held on the third Monday of every month (with the exception of August) at 7pm in Victoria Park Community Centre and new members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining us, please call Christina Whitchurch on 01446 404891.

Cwm Taf chief executive says that maternity issues have not changed

THE chief executive of Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board has said the damning report into its maternity services shows "fundamental cultural and behavioural issues have not changed".

Allison Williams was speaking at the latest board meeting as it discussed how to change the culture which led to the failings identified in a report from the Royal College of Midwives and the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.

It revealed a catalogue of failings at maternity units in Prince Charles Hospital in Merthyr Tydfil and at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital, Llantrisant, which led the Welsh Government to investigate 43 pregnancies.

The failings included major staff shortages, fragmented consultant cover, inadequate support for trainee and middle-grade doctors and a lack of functioning governance and leadership; and since then mothers have been sharing their heartbreaking experiences at both hospitals.

Cwm Taf has recently taken over responsibility for the Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend. At the time the above report was compiled, the Princess of Wales was run by Abertawe Bro Morgannwg.

The leader of Rhondda Cynon Taf council Andrew Morgan has called for Ms Williams to consider her position, saying he had become increasingly concerned about recent events at the health board.

He said due to continuing concerns and the inconsistent messages coming from the health board, he had lost confidence in the body.

The health board's maternity services are now in special measures and the board is receiving targeted support from Welsh Government.

A planned moving of paediatric services to Prince Charles Hospital, Merthyr, in June has been put off and is now likely to take place either at the end of this school year in July or at the start of the next school year in September.

Ms Williams, speaking the meeting in Abercynon, said: "I think it is fair to say that we would all recognise that this has been the most challenging issue this board has ever had to deal with and will continue to deal with."

She said that one of the most important things is to keep the women in their thoughts when making decisions.

"Engagement in the way they want, that is responsive to their needs, is going to be an absolute priority for us if we are going to do something sustainable," she added.

"We have known for some time about the staffing challenges and some of the issues associated with the South Wales Programme changes and the impact on staff of this significant change."

She said the extent of the "dysfunctionality" and the wider cultural issues have given them the greatest cause for concern.

An independent panel has been set up to oversee the health board's maternity services and the health board is drawing up a plan on how it engages with women to make sure the changes are successful for them.

Ms Williams said: "Fundamental cultural and behavioural issues have not changed. If we are going to do something that is going to resolve this now, then the approach has to be different.

"Having the capacity to deliver is going to be critical to our success – we are going to need help with this. It is going to require a not insignificant investment if we are going to do this properly.

"If we are sitting here in a year having delivered an action plan and all the recommendations but not having changed the culture, then we have failed the women."

She mentioned support would be needed financially for communication and engagement with people on the ground and to address broader confidence issues in the health board's services.

She said that women will be encouraged to talk to their community midwife, help anyone who does not want to have their baby in Cwm Taf to have it somewhere else, and allow women to share their experiences with each other to reassure them.

Board member Keiron Montague said he and his colleagues were not fully aware of the scale of the issue until the publication of the Royal College's report.

He asked: "How do we fix the link between the board and what is going on with patients generally? We need to look at ourselves as a board and make sure we are building that link with patients."

Another member, Melvin Jehu, highlighted it was not factually correct that they were aware of the issues, which part of the report implies.

Paul Griffiths, a fellow board member, said that in the case of Morecambe Bay, a new board was put in place and the progress they made was remarkable, but they had a lot of support.

He said: "I don't think we should underestimate the amount of resources needed to put something right."

Ms Williams said it was less about the money but more about skills and capacity. "Targeted intervention and special measures will be helpful. I am optimistic we will get the support we need.

"I suspect members of the public will be less worried about process than what is going to make a difference on the ground."

Other board members said that data collection is key and making sure they have the right type of data, including patient experience, presented in a consistent and understandable way.

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Cosmeston Lakes is now home to a new outdoor learning facility

GRANT funding has been obtained by the Vale Council to create a unique multi-purpose learning area at Cosmeston Lakes Country Park.

The grant was awarded by the Welsh Government's Rural Community Development Fund and it has paid for activity areas for den building, pond dipping and bug hunting along with the creation of new habitats. New seating and a wooden gazebo have also been installed.

The contractor, Landcraft Projects Ltd, has made the site accessible to all.

The funding also allowed for the creation of a nature-themed sculpture, adorned with native birds, mammals and fish. The design was led by a class at Oakfield School in Barry, and brought to life by Welsh artist Chris Wood, of Wood Art Works.

Cllr Lis Burnett (*pictured left*), cabinet member for education and regeneration, said: "We are so pleased to have secured funding for this super project for the Vale's youngsters. The facility will provide them with a valuable opportunity to learn about the local environment and the natural world."

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Health board defends new hospital dispensing service

THE public service union Unison has claimed Cardiff and Vale University Health Board wants to privatise pharmacies in its hospitals.

The board told The GEM that a new service model was designed to improve waiting times, enable the delivery of medicines closer to patients' homes and release staff to do more work in hospital wards.

Unison said it feared the board was rushing into privatisation without considering alternatives.

Unison Cymru Wales head of health, Paul Summers, said: "Private companies have no place in the Welsh NHS. The collapse of Carillion shows the private sector doesn't always know best and it is not more efficient than the public sector.

"Patient needs will not be the first priority for private companies focused on generating a profit, and privatising pharmacies could open the way to wholesale privatisations of other NHS Wales services. This has never been the way healthcare workers, the public or the Welsh Government want our health service to be run.

"Taxpayers will be paying for a service yet money will be going into private shareholders' pockets and won't be reinvested in the NHS.

"Unison wants to work with health boards to see how patient services can be improved. The sensible way forward is for pharmacies to be retained in-house and to recruit more dispensing staff.

"If health boards say they need more money to prevent privatisation of pharmacies, we will work together with them and the Welsh health secretary to jointly lobby the UK government."

A spokesman on behalf of the board said there had been 'positive feedback' on the new system: "Cardiff and Vale University Health Board is proposing delivering outpatient dispensing with an agreed third-party partner. By working in collaboration and involving our specialist pharmacists to provide training and input for clinically complex prescriptions, the new service delivery model will improve waiting times, allow the option of delivery of medicines closer to patients' homes and release staff to patient-facing work in ward areas. It also aims to reduce turnaround times and improve quality of communication when patients are discharged from hospital.

"The service transformation project has worked closely with staff and patient organisations, including the Community Health Council and trade union representatives, and has received positive feedback from all those who have been engaged."

He added: "The proposed change relates to dispensing service for outpatients at University Hospital Llandough and the University Hospital of Wales only, and no other existing pharmacy services are involved."

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Police investigate rogue trader' incident

OFFICERS in Penarth are reminding home owners to be vigilant following a suspicious incident in Baron Road on Tuesday, May 28, at around 1.15pm.

Officers attended an address after concerns were raised about an elderly woman being asked to pay a large sum of money to have her patio cleaned. No money was exchanged and enquiries are ongoing into the incident.

A police spokeswoman said: "Rogue traders particularly focus on the elderly and the vulnerable and offer services that they know the householder maybe unable to do such as gardening, cleaning driveways and patios.

"Once inside the property, they usually carry out shoddy work for extortionate amounts of money."

The police advise people not to allow cold callers access to their property and to get at least two separate quotes before agreeing to having work carried out.

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Dinas Powys community cinema

DINAS Powys community cinema is showing *On the Basis of Sex* (12A) on Saturday, June 8, a film inspired by the true story of how a young Ruth Bader Ginsburg (played by Felicity Jones) overcomes obstacles in her fight for equal rights in the US.

The volunteer-run cinema can be found at the Murchfield Community Centre, Sunnycroft Lane, Dinas Powys CF64 4QQ.

Doors open 6.30pm for a 7pm start and all tickets are £4.50, available on the door or in advance from the DPVC office at the rear of the community centre (weekday mornings) or online: www.ticketsource.co.uk murchfieldcommunitycentre.

Churches Together

COWBRIDGE United Free Church are hosting Pentecost Praise on Sunday, June 9 with a cream tea at 3pm and service at 4pm.

Come along and sing (includes some Welsh favourites).

Family History in Bridgend

THE next meeting of the Bridgend branch of the Glamorgan Family History Society will take place at the Len Evans Centre, off Heol Persondy, Aberkenfig CF32 9RF on June 10.

The speaker is Maria Phillips and the subject of her talk is 'Horrible History in Cap Goch'. Doors open 7pm, talk to start 7.30pm; members of the public welcome and refreshments available.

Highlight Park Cuppa

THE Highlight Park Cuppa will be open from 2.30pm-3.30pm on Monday, June 10 in the Highlight Park Community Centre.

Everyone is welcome to take the opportunity to call in, meet new friends and have a pleasant social hour.

Champagne and canapés at the Castle

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Godzilla is King of the Monsters in satisfying summer blockbuster

BACK in 2014, *Godzilla* showed there was an appetite for seeing the big monster lumbering into action.

The film itself was a mixed bag, one of its issues being a lack of Godzilla action, however sequel *Godzilla: King of Monsters* hopes to address this.

With Michael Dougherty replacing Gareth Edwards in the director's chair, it sees monster agency Monarch (glimpsed both in *Godzilla* and 2017's *Kong: Skull Island*) battling to stop global catastrophe breaking out when three huge monsters – Mothra, Rodan the three-headed King Ghidorah – come alive after millions of years of laying dormant.

With the world at stake, there's only one thing that Monarch can do – find Godzilla and hope he can save humanity from extinction in what will be his toughest battle yet...

As thrilling as it was to see Godzilla make his western cinematic return five years ago, there was a feeling that, while an entertaining film in its own right, there was more left on the table for the mighty creature.

King of the Monsters dials the action up to an insane degree (unlike Gareth Edwards' less-is-more approach, this is an unabashed creature punch-up writ large), and while it succeeds in delivering the kind of monster smackdowns you would expect, it is let down a little by humanity.

The 2014 film was criticised for making the human element of the plot the key ingredient, which, saddled with underwhelmingly written characters, meant that when the creatures were off-screen, there was a lull in proceedings.

What Michael Dougherty does is double down on the action, while also trying to incorporate a more compelling plot involving eco terrorism, familial strife and differing perceptions of right and wrong. This is mainly where the film falls down, the plot far more complicated than it needs to be, with characters switching beliefs and allegiances seemingly mid-scene in order drive the story forward.

Thankfully, there is a cast who, just about, manage to make this weakness bearable, with Vera Farmiga and Kyle Chandler as divorced scientists who have their own beef with Godzilla, and therefore differing mentalities about what is right and wrong, Millie Bobby Brown engaging as their daughter, with the likes of Ken Watanabe, Sally Hawkins, Thomas Middleditch, O'Shea Jackson, Bradley Whitford and Charles Dance all bringing a sheen of class to the proceedings regardless of the shortcomings of the story.

However frustrating the plotting is at times, we all know that it's only the loosest

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framework on which to hang epic monster fights, and here Dougherty more than earns his corn.

Seeing Godzilla tackle some of his most iconic rivals (and allies) in a Hollywood blockbuster is quite a thrill, and seeing the likes of King Ghidora, Rodan and Mothra in action is incredibly satisfying.

While the scale is wholly impressive, Dougherty gives the action scenes enough substance to keep the plot gears turning while not diluting the spectacle itself, doing a great job of marshalling the elements to make sure that you're not left flat by the action, and crucially not scrimping on seeing these characters battling it out on the big screen.

There are allusions to the great universe that is being built (references abound to *Skull Island*, with Godzilla scheduled to battle Kong in 2020) and more than enough groundwork is laid for more 'Zilla-only adventures, but this isn't a film that feels weighed down by allusions to the future.

Instead it's a simplistic plot away from being an incredible blockbuster outing; Godzilla's coronation as King of the Monsters is a wholly worthy and entertaining, one, perfect for summer watching.

VERDICT: A film that doesn't scrimp on scale and spectacle, the only thing that lets down *Godzilla: King of the Monsters* is some frustrating and overly-complicated plotting that takes the sheen off what is otherwise a superb action blockbuster.

Director Michael Dougherty delivers some superb action sequences, and draws decent enough turns from the sort of cast most 'worthy' films would sacrifice and awards nomination for to plaster over the plot cracks. *Recommended*.

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Godzilla* (2014), *Kong: Skull Island* (2017).

What's on and where?

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A MINUTE to Win It games evening will take place on Friday, June 7 from 7pm-8.30pm. Come along with your family and enjoy some fun and food.

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Art and Craft Group

THE next meeting of Llantwit Major Art and Craft Group takes place on Friday, June 7 at Llantonian Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Gwyneth Price will present the first part of her workshop on making animal masks. Please bring along yoghurt pots, egg boxes, plastic food trays or toilet and kitchen roll inners if you would like to take part.

A fee of £3 is payable on the night; visitors and prospective new members are welcome.

Glamorgan Quilters

GLAMORGAN Quilters have a few events coming up. The next meeting, on June 8 at Ystradowen village hall from 10am, welcomes trader Cottage Patchwork offering some fabulous items for textile workers.

We welcome all members and non-members along to buy, and if you have an interest in joining, it is a perfect time to find out more about quilting. We also have a trip going to the American museum in Bath to see the quilts of Kaffe Fassett on July 5, leaving from Cowbridge bus station. This is also open to non-members for £25: to book a place or for more information contact salg96@btinternet.com.

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The café will be in full swing from Monday, June 10 and its opening hours are 8.45am to noon and 2pm to 4pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On Saturdays it's open from 10am to noon.

Trustee Keith Hatton said: "We are now run as a charity and the café is an integral part in our strategy. We want to welcome a wide cross section of the public to the library to enjoy the books, activities and also a nice cup of coffee."

Music festival enjoys 50th anniversary of worldwide success

Jane Hutt AM and John Metcalf.

THE Vale of Glamorgan Music Festival celebrated its 50th anniversary this year with a week of concerts under the musical direction of composer John Metcalf.

Vale AM Jane Hutt attended a number of concerts and events, including drumming and a fairground organ recital on Barry Island.

Ms Hutt said: "The Vale of Glamorgan Music Festival featured composers from across the world and here in Wales, with stunning world premieres at this year's festival thanks to the inspiring musical direction of Welsh composer John Metcalf."

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Success for young musicians

THREE local youngsters recently took part in the South Glamorgan Festival for Young Musicians in Cardiff.

Up against stiff competition, Jack Ollier (16) came third in the senior piano class, Harrison Ollier (11) was awarded a Highly Commended for his performance on the guitar in the junior instrumental concert class and Katie Alsop (12) took part in the intermediate/senior non-competitive concert class, performing on the piano; and received excellent feedback on her performance as well as her presentation.

Jack Ollier, Harrison Ollier and Katie Alsop.

All three thoroughly enjoyed the experience and the opportunity to perform.

In other news – congratulations go to Katie Alsop who passed grade one piano with a merit, Poppy Williams who was awarded a pass for her grade two piano exam, Jemima Whiffen and Tabitha Hughes who were awarded passes for their grade four piano exams, Caitlin Ellis who passed grade three theory with distinction and Jemima Whiffen who passed grade five theory with distinction.

JW

'The figures count against Brexit' says GEM reader

SOMETIMES I lose faith in my ability to do sums.

It happened at the English county council elections and it's happened again now with the the Euro elections. Both were hailed as evidence that the country is demanding Brexit.

Theresa May insisted the results of the English county council elections showed voters wanted politicians to 'get on and deliver Brexit'.

But this is where I get confused. The Conservatives, who had pushed hard to get a Brexit deal past the Commons, made a net loss of 1,269 councillors and UKIP a net loss of 36.

On the other side, the stop-Brexit Liberal Democrats made a net gain of 676 councillors and the ardent Remainer Greens a net gain of 185, making a net gain of 861 councillors for Remain parties.

Now when I learned to count that would suggest a victory for Remain, not Brexit.

Now it's the Euro-election results that have got me flummoxed. The claim swept around that Brexit has won! Yet Brexit and UKIP together polled just under 35 per cent of the vote while the campaigning Remain parties of Lib Dems, Greens, SNP, Change UK and Plaid Cymru together polled over 40 per cent.

Again, in the way I usually count, that's a victory for Remain. One thing I don't wonder about, though, is that the Referendum, which basically showed the country split down the middle with a tiny majority of less than 4 per cent for Leave can now – or ever could – be trumpeted as 'the will of the people' or the 'democratic decision' that inexorably binds politics and Parliament.

No government coming into office after a general election immediately declares its whole manifesto unchallengeable and inevitable. It achieves only as much as can be moderated through a Parliament where the Opposition is expected to play its democratic role.

That is how a democracy works.

Not by commandeering the view of one half of the country as a stick to beat the other half. In a liberal democracy like ours, the result of the Referendum – even won as it was through fraud and illegality – might still have some shreds of the 'legal' about it. But it has no political, social or ethical legitimacy – however you count the figures.

Jean Silvan Evans, Peterston-super-Ely.

Clifftop views of Lavernock for Penarth and District Ramblers

ANN from Penarth and District Ramblers led the third of the summer evening walks starting from Penarth clifftop car park and was joined by a group of 13 walkers.

They set off along the Wales Coast Path towards Lavernock Point above the cliff, which contains rocks dating to the Jurassic and Triassic eras.

Arriving at St Lawrence Church at Lavernock, they were reminded that on 13 May, 1897, Marconi, assisted by George Kemp, sent the first wireless signals in Morse code across the open water to Flat Holm and a plaque on the outer wall of the church records this feat.

Heading inland at Fort Road, they deviated into Lavernock Nature Reserve, an SSSI which is cared for by the Wildlife Trust of South and West Wales.

In the late 1860s, Lavernock Fort Battery was constructed with four cannons in order to protect the ports and shipyards at Cardiff and Bristol and the remains of that fort have long disappeared.

Arriving at the derelict concrete structures on the clifftop, they learned it was a World War Two anti-aircraft gun site that also had a command post, magazine and workshop, and the site is classed as an ancient monument.

Crossing fields and exiting onto St Mary's Well Bay Road, they moved inland to Cosmeston Country Park, following Mile Road over the footbridge between the lakes before circumnavigating the eastern lake and re-crossing Lavernock Road.

Pounding pavements and following Cosmeston Drive uphill, they joined the old Taff Vale Railway spur line, built in 1865, which carried trains through from Penarth to Cosmeston, Lavernock and Sully before re-connecting back to the main Barry Railway at Cadoxton and wended their way back to their start.

On June 8, meet at 9am at Barry Dock Railway Station for an 8-mile moderate walk taking in the Lliw reservoirs north of Swansea; contact Jan/John on 01446 418514.

On June 9, meet at 9am at Cogan Leisure Centre for an 11-mile moderate/hard walk at Fan Nedd; contact John R on 07484 844533.

On June 12, meet at 7am at Cogan Leisure Centre for the annual 20-mile strenuous Three Castles Walk; contact William on 07528 701 952.

On June 13, meet at 6.30pm at Dinas Powys Village Square for a 4-mile easy/moderate walk at Dinas, St Andrews and Southra; contact Joy on 01446 737131.

For up to date information, log onto www.penarthramblers.wordpress.com or follow on Facebook. Programmes and membership advice can be obtained from Pam on 029 2025 5102.

Joy Strangward

Ride on the Valkyrie at Barry Island?

The 81 year old Albion Valkyrie coach new in 1938 (Tudor Thomas/CTPG)

ON Sunday, June 8 this year's Barry Island Festival of Transport will be one of south Wales' largest gatherings of classic cars and buses and it is expected to draw big crowds.

The heritage bus group has big plans to restore a unique 81-year-old coach and is looking for £100,000 support. The event is free and will run all day from 10am to 5pm.

Mike Taylor, chairman said: "We will offer free rides on around 20 different heritage buses, some open top ones together with a free Park and Ride shuttle from the Barry Dock offices.

"Also at this event we are announcing the launch of a call for donations to professionally restore a Red & White Albion Valkyrie Coach to its original Art Deco styling".

The festival will feature around 300 classic and specialist performance cars, joined by a selection of visiting heritage buses and some lorries. Some of the oldest cars are well over 80 years old, while some sports models are relatively new.

The heritage bus collection will be on show with free rides on shuttle services every 10 minutes by heritage buses.

Mike Taylor continued: "Yes, our appeal is looking for £100,000. Our group can handle some large bus restoration projects and our aim is to restore a coach which was a design classic of the inter-war period.

"We have all the original parts, but it needs a professional rebuild requiring skills in wood and metal coachbuilding. Such exercises are costly, and we want to make progress so that it's substantially complete by John Watt's Red & White 100th anniversary in 2021.

"This Albion Valkyrie Coach represented one of 32 vehicles built during the Great Depression years. Our vehicle, number 390, was new in 1938.

"Our group feel this is a special vehicle and deserves to be restored to the highest museum and operational standard."

The Festival of Transport is on Sunday, June 9 and free parking is available at the Barry Dock Offices car park and CTPG will operate a free shuttle bus to the event.

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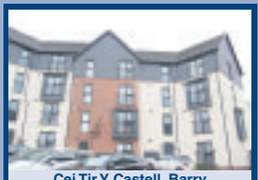

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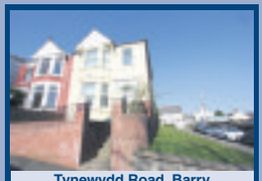

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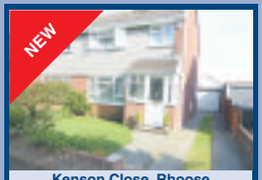

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Ploughing and Hedging Society looks forward to Margaret's September visit

THE spring meeting of the Vale of Glamorgan Ploughing and Hedging Society was held at the Six Bells Inn, Penmark on May 23.

Chairman Andrew Studley welcomed the gathering of members and reports were received from secretary, Sarah Radcliffe and treasurer, Rhys Morgan.

The Tractor Run organised by the society in memory of John Watts raised £800, which will be presented to the Parkinson's Disease charity. The chairman thanked the Tractor Boys of Aberthin for their continued support.

It was agreed that the president for 2019 would be Mr A E Radcliffe of Penmark. It has yet to be decided who will be the site safety officer for this year's ploughing match to be held on Sunday, September 8. Extra stewards are also needed for the match, so if anyone is interested in getting involved, contact either the chairman or the secretary for information.

At this year's ploughing match, there will be a steam plough coming over the bridge from England, which was built over 150 years ago. These steam ploughs were all named, and the visiting one on September 8 is called 'Margaret'.

The chairman thanked local contractor, Tom Pritchard, for his offer of getting the machine hauled to the site for the event.

A team of horses and ploughs are expected to attend, along with six or seven tractor and plough classes, and four judges will cover all the classes.

The society is planning a social gathering in the evening for those who arrive on Saturday.

The membership secretary reported that a large number have taken up the five-year membership for £40, while annual membership stands at £10.

Membership of the society will cover entry to the ploughing match and a free programme of the event.

The chairman accepted the proposal that the society is considering becoming a limited company and this will be put on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

Over the next three months, banners and advertising will be put in place with schedules for all ploughing classes being printed and available from the secretary by mid-June.

Further information can be obtained from the chairman on 07980 921990 or the secretary on 07976 950680.

Basil George

Children's Air Ambulance coffee morning success

AT Stepping Stones in Llancarfan, Kay Gay and Mary Grey hosted a coffee morning recently in aid of the Children's Air Ambulance charity.

It was supported and enjoyed by local villages and lots of friends, making it a very sociable occasion – even the weather was kind!

On behalf of the charity, Kay and Mary would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone and are delighted to report that a total of £800 was raised.

Police report rise in knife crime in south Wales

FIGURES from South Wales Police show that knife crime incidents have gone up by 100 per cent since 2013-14.

From April 2018 to January 2019, there were 615 offences with a predicted figure for the end of this financial year of 738 offences.

The force's latest performance and demand report says knife crime has "significantly increased" in recent years.

In the 12 months to March 2019, there were 17,209 domestic abuse crimes recorded, an increase of 10.4 per cent compared to last year. The force deals with 1,430 domestic related crimes every month.

Recorded sexual offences have increased by 8.4 per cent in the same period.

There has been a 13 per cent increase in recorded rapes, a 0.7 per cent increase in other serious sexual offences and a 18.5 per cent increase in other sexual offences.

As at December 2018, there were 12 incidents of homicide in the area.

Violent crimes have also seen a continuous increase in offences since 2014 with the figure for 2018-19 being around 25,000.

In 2018-19, the force responded to more than 30,000 mental health incidents, an average of 84 per day.

The report said: "This is lower than the high levels recorded in previous years. However, this is likely to be due to improved recording of mental health occurrences rather than a decline in the number of offences reported."

Following a two-year period of decline, detentions under Section 136 of the Mental Health Act are increasing, with 44.7 per cent more referrals in 2018-19 compared to 2016-17 and it is expected this will continue to increase.

On average, about 4.5 hours of police time is spent dealing with each mental health-related incident, with roughly 60 per cent of the people already known to mental health services, and these people have had on average at least 15 incidents recorded in the last 12 months requiring police involvement.

On average, in 2018-19, South Wales Police investigated and managed 28 missing person reports per day.

This is a rise of four per day, compared to 2017-18 and a 16 per cent year on year increase in missing person investigations. A fifth of these reports are missing children (aged 17 and under) – many are looked-after children who live in care homes or are in foster care.

About a quarter of missing children are also said to be at risk of child sexual exploitation.

In total, there were 10,288 reports of missing people in the 12 months to March 2018.

The force received nearly 202,000 emergency calls in 2018-19 with just over 437,000 non-emergency calls. The average wait time for emergency calls was under six seconds and for non-emergency calls, two minutes and 43 seconds.

The report said that non-emergency 101 calls have risen consistently by 6 per cent over the previous three years and there is increasingly a seasonal difference in the number of calls.

The figures will be considered by the South Wales Police and Crime Panel at its next meeting on June 4.

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Dearly loved and cherished mum to Philip, the late Pauline, Sandra and son-in-law Keith. Beloved wife of the late Gilbert Roy, treasured grandmother and great granny and special 'Salls' to Andrea and Lloyd. Loved aunty, sister-in-law and friend.

Sadly passed away on the 25th May aged 95 years at Bryn-y-Cae Care Home, Brackla (formerly of Cowbridge and home at Llysworney) with family by her side together with the amazing carers who took such great care of "Lizzy" and her family especially at such a difficult time.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Remembrance service to be held at Holy Cross Church, Cowbridge on Friday, 7th June at 12.30pm.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Alzheimers Society and Guide Dogs for the Blind to be handed to the funeral director on the day.

McCARTHY
Craig (Mucca)

Suddenly on 19th May at home, aged 45 years. Craig a loving son of Diane and Ray. Loving brother of Leanne and Simon and a loving uncle.

Resting at Robert D Johnson Independent Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry. A service will be held on Friday, 7th June at 2pm to celebrate Craig's life at the Cardiff & Vale Crematorium, Port Road, Barry.

Flowers may be sent to the funeral directors

For all enquiries telephone 01446 733844 .

DAVIES
Haydn Drew

Haydn of Wenvoe, retired electrical engineer, passed away peacefully at his home on Monday, 27th May 2019 in his 91st year. Treasured and loving husband of the late Doreen, father and father-in-law of Gary and Nichola, pappa to Carl and Leanne his grandchildren. Loving brother of Margaret and Patricia May. Brother-in-law of Lesley, all of whom ' he loved tons'.

Funeral to take place Friday, 14th June at St Mary's Church, Wenvoe at 11.30am, thereafter cremation at Coychurch Crematorium, Mid Glamorgan. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu to Dementia UK.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to The Lyndsay Ellis @ Vale Funeral Service 01446 407962.

CHATWELL
Kameron

In loving memory of Kameron Chatwell who sadly passed away on 19th May 2019. The family wish to announce the sad passing of Kameron, aged 21 years at the University Hospital of Wales. A loving and adored son, stepson, grandson, brother and uncle.

He will be greatly missed by all his extended family and many friends.

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Barry until his service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Monday, 10th June at 2pm.

JONES
Malcolm

Peacefully with his family present at Holme Towers on 21st May. Devoted husband to Pat and an adored dad and grandad.

Malcolm will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Resting at Robert D Johnson Independent Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry. A service to celebrate Malcolm's life will be held at the Cardiff & Vale Crematorium, Port Road, Barry on Tuesday, 11th June at 12 noon.

Family flowers only by request. Donations in memory of Malcolm can be made at the service to Holme Towers.

For all enquiries telephone Tel 01446 733844.

DE GARIS
Ann Maud

Died peacefully at Bro Castle Care Home. Much loved by husband Malcolm, daughter Melanie, son Richard, son-in-law Peter, daughter-in-law Gia. Grandchildren Kate, Erin and husband Stuart, Rory and great grandaughter Connie.

Funeral service to celebrate Ann's life to be held at Coychurch Crematorium on Monday, 17th June at 11am.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Alzheimer's Society UK c/o W. James & Sons, Fonmon, CF62 3BJ. The family has requested no black, colours preferred.

COLLINGS
Lynne Christine

Beloved wife of Stephen, mother to Samantha and Christopher, nana to Isla and Ethan.

She truly was a wonderful person, dedicated to her family and friends. She has left us with a giant hole in our hearts but amazing memories that will last forever.

Resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare, Llantwit Major until the service on Wednesday, 12th June at 11am, Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend.

Donations welcomed in Lynne's memory to Marie Curie Hospice, Penarth, CF64 3YR.

MAURICE
Leighton Charles

Tragically on 16th May, as a result of a road traffic accident, Leighton of Cowbridge; beloved husband of Sarah, loving father of Marcus, Richard, Alexander, Sarah-Louise, India and Saffron. Dear father-in-law and much loved Grampy Leighton to his grandchildren.

Will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

Funeral Tuesday, 11th June, service and cremation at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend at 1.15pm, where friends please meet.

Flowers and enquiries to W.H. Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun, CF72 8PN. Tel 01443 223368.

HERBERT
Matthew Colin

Peacefully on 2nd June, at his home in Cowbridge, Matt, beloved son of Colin, brother of Sarah and Kate and partners Jon and Howard, and uncle of Izzie, Lily and Evie.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Tuesday, 18th June, service and cremation 3.15pm at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend.

No flowers by request. Donations, if desired, to Marie Curie c/o the funeral director.

MORGAN
Beatrice Kathleen (*née* Lane) (Kath)

Kath passed away peacefully at the University Hospital Wales, after a short illness on Friday, 31st May, aged 92 years. Beloved mother of Gareth and Janice, grandmother to Hayley, Ben, Rhian, Max, Joel, Verity and Imi.

Kath will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

The funeral will take place at St Illtyd's Church, Llantwit Major on Monday, 17th June at 2.45pm, afterwards she will be laid to rest at Llantwit Major Cemetery, followed by a celebration of her life at the West House Hotel, Llantwit Major. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, can be made to Save the Children Fund.

LEYSHON
Margaret

Peacefully at Llandough Hospital on 23rd May, aged 91 years. Margaret was a much loved sister, mother, grandmother and great grandmother and will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

A service will be held at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry at 11am on Wednesday, 12th June.

RENDALL
Emrys

Passed away peacefully on 29th May.

Sadly missed by family and friends.

Resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare, Llantwit Major until the service at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend on Thursday, 13th June at 2.45pm.

Donations being welcomed to Cancer Research Wales, Velindre Hospital, Cardiff CF14 2TL.

KNIPE
Barbara

Passed away peacefully on Tuesday, 28th May after being lovingly cared for at Bryn Celyn Care Home.

Babs will be greatly missed by all her family and friends.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Tuesday, 11th June, service and cremation 2pm at Margam Crematorium.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Parkinsons UK c/o the funeral director.

Acknowledgements

SPANOUDAKIS
Audrey

Sue and friends wish to thank everyone for attending Audrey's funeral at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium on Tuesday, 28th May 2019.

TEW
David

Cheryl, Christopher and family would like to say a heartfelt thank you to the many people who supported us following David's death last month. Special thanks to Beth and Emma for the help and support provided to the family.

Thank you for all the kind gifts and messages of sympathy received and to all those who attended David's funeral. Special thanks to W.A. Brown & Sons Funeral Directors, Father Edwin, Father Craig, Jude and Bill for conducting such an uplifting service. Also, thank you to Jon and Andrew and for all the kind donations to Cancer Research.

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In my heart you will always stay,
Love and remembered every day
Sweet dreams my darling Mario.
Eileen xxx

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but you left us precious memories
that we think of often and will last forever.
Love you Dad.
Gina, Richard, Nicola, Gareth & Luca xxx

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Ten years may have passed
since you peacefully fell asleep,
Yet the memories you left us,
will always stay in our hearts.
Sleep well dear dad.
Love you always.Mario, Amanda & Rhianne xxx

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Remembering you is easy, dear Dad and Bampy,
We do it every day.
Missing everything about you is the heartache
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Barry Athletic play-off dates confirmed

FOLLOWING the hearing of Navi Treharris' appeal against the South Wales FA's decision to reject their application of eligibility for promotion to the South Wales Alliance League, Navi's appeal was not upheld and they will not form part of the second part of the play-offs.

As result, Group 2 of the play-offs will now go ahead involving Canton Rangers (Cardiff & District), Tata Steel United (Port Talbot & District) and Barry Athletic (Vale of Glamorgan).

Group 2 will be played as a three-team league with each side playing each other once (all matches at neutral venues). The winner of this mini-league will be promoted to the South Wales Alliance League alongside Group 1 winners Maesteg Park. The second-placed side will play Group 1 runners-up Ynysybwl in a second-chance play-off.

Details of the dates and venues of the fixtures are: Tuesday, June 4 at Kymco Stadium (Penybont FC), kick-off 7.15pm – Tata Steel United v Canton Rangers; Thursday, June 6 at Cwrt-Yr-Ala Road (Caerau Ely FC), kick-off 7pm – Canton Rangers v Barry Athletic; Saturday, June 8 at Caerphilly Centre of Sporting Excellence (Ystrad Mynach), kick-off 11.30am Barry Athletic v Tata Steel United; Monday, June 10 at Kymco Stadium (Penybont FC), kick-off 7.15pm – Ynysybwl Athletic v Group 2 runners-up.

Navi Treharris still have the right to lodge an appeal with an independent arbitration panel. However, as the FAW have given South Wales FA until June 10 to complete the season, the decision has been taken to go ahead with the play-offs.

Depending on Navi's next move and the outcome of any potential further appeal, promotion places will not be confirmed until any appeal period has expired. This process was decided upon in order to prevent the play-offs being delayed until August, the South Wales FA have said.

The Barry and District Mens Skittles League

THE Allform Cup final saw the 49ers beat Mighty Dockers.

The presentation night will be held at the Wyndham Cons on Saturday, June 29, at 7.30pm, and the AGM is to be held at the Liberals on Wednesday, July 3, at 7pm.

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Vale Cricket Club match round-up

THIS week saw Vale Cricket Club first XI on the road again as they travelled to fierce rivals Sully, a team who have performed well for the last few seasons yet like Vale not managed promotion.

Vale lost the toss and were put into bat by Sully captain Rhett Jones. Opening batsmen Alex Upham (74) and JJ Davies (138) signalled their intentions from the off.

Young prospect Alex Upham dealt with the pace of seam bowler Gareth Thomas (1-87) with apparent ease as he guided the first ball of the game to third man for four runs. JJ also got in on the action with three boundaries in the next over from Bruce (0-41).

Both Upham and JJ batted with class and a clear sense of authority as they bullied the Sully bowling attack, racing away to 50-0 in just five overs!

The two openers played superbly off front and back foot on both sides of the wicket. Three overs into his spell the dangerous Gareth Thomas was taken out of the attack, having conceded an uncharacteristic 29 run.

Upham and JJ continued to make the bowlers pay for any loose deliveries but as the pair settled, even decent bowling was sent flying along the floor for boundaries with the Sully outfield proving to be extremely fast.

In the 20th over the Vale opening pair took the total past three figures and shook hands in the middle in recognition of the 100 run partnership.

Upham scored his 50 in just 53 balls, an excellent display of dominant batting against what has always been tough opposition. Just after drinks JJ bought up his 50 in 64 balls. Both batsmen were applauded and urged to do more by their teammates.

In the 26th over a mix up of calling led to Upham being run out for a very well made and chanceless 74, a tremendous innings by the 17-year-old who has now scored 216 runs in his first five games, an average of 43.2 in first team cricket this season.

The loss of Upham bought Dean Oram to the crease. He too looked secure in the middle but it was JJ who started to catch the eye as he began to turn his attention to Vale's total. The selfless opener who now must have been seeing the ball as if it was the size of beach ball started to hit the ball harder and continued to add to the misery of the Sully bowlers.

Oram (15) lasted 10 overs as he too started to push the Vale total onwards. Hodges, Snelson and Brendan all fell in fairly quick succession but in between this, JJ bought up his century in style with a tremendous six over mid-wicket.

JJ eventually fell for 138 in the 44th over leaving Humphreys (22no) at Rowland to finish off the innings. The theme of a fast run rate and volume of runs continued throughout the innings as Vale finished 286-6.

This gave Vale maximum batting points leaving Sully with three bowling points which may end up being crucial in the later part of the season.

With a grand total of only 13 extras in the entire innings, Vale enjoyed their tea knowing they had done an excellent job but also secure in the knowledge that the job was only half done. In order to achieve the maximum points for the game Vale needed to bowl Sully out without them matching the Vale total.

The Vale bowling attack was somewhat changed with the introduction of Roy Cheeseman, whose spin bowling was partnered with seamer Darren Upham to make up Vale's opening attack. Upham (1-36) once again claimed the wicket of Rhett Jones early on, having had a difficult chance put down in the slips earlier.

Roy Cheeseman (0-40) bowled his nine overs at the other end dealing with batsmen targeting him in order to relieve the scoreboard pressure. Rowland (0-40) bowled excellently only just missing the edge of the bat on many occasions. It was the introduction of Hodges (2-32) that helped to boost Vale's energy as he removed opener Hicks (31) and then had Bruce (67) caught superbly on the fine leg boundary by Alex Upham, who did very well to sprint around and take a catch over his shoulder.

With the score at 117-3, Hodges also thought he had Thomas (16) caught behind first ball only for the umpire to not be on the same wavelength. Thomas, who batted with grit and intensity, went on to add another 16 runs to the Sully total.

Once Thomas was run out by Rowland, Sully then started to lose wickets at fairly regular intervals. It was only R Griffett (58) who added any other runs before he fell victim to Alex Upham's leg spin as he ended with figures of 3-25.

He also claimed a run out while the others catches were taken by Oram and Snelson.

Sully eventually slumped to 201 all out so Vale claimed maximum batting points and Sully were left with eight.

This week, Vale are on the road again as they travel to Newport to play another important game and will be looking to maintain their top of the table status.

Vale seconds welcomed Dinas Powys seconds to Corntown as first versus third in the league clashed.

At the coin toss the Dinas captain Gareth Evans surprisingly elected to field first on a hard deck with a tinge of green on a very hot day in Corntown.

The Vale opening pair of JP Davies and Matthew Thomas started slowly as the Dinas opening bowlers, Richard Morgan and Nathan White, gave very little away in terms of width or scoring opportunities. So much so, the run rate was less then two an over for the first seven. The scoreboard started to tick when the opening bowlers tired and the change bowling came on. At the 20-over drinks break Vale reached 94 for one wicket, JP Davies falling for 20, stumped whilst trying to up the run rate.

Mark Francis (4) was given out lbw by visitor and friend of the club Cedric Boynes shortly after drinks. In came number four batsman Gethin Merry to join Thomas at the crease. Thomas and Merry manoeuvred the ball well on the slow outfield, running countless twos and threes while getting respite by hitting the odd boundary.

The score began to gain further momentum as Thomas and Merry shared a 107-run partnership in 16 overs to leave Vale 223 for the loss of three wickets at the end of the innings, Thomas finishing on 131 not out and Merry caught for 41 in the 39th over.

In reply, the Dinas innings didn't get going and Vale opening bowlers Greg Andrews and Joseph Davies bowled accurately, backed up by some good fielding by the Vale.

Openers Gareth Evans (6) and Robert Tucker (1) both fell to Joseph Davies with brother Aaron taking a high catch to remove Dinas skipper Evans. Andrews picked up all rounder Richard Morgan for 7.

Spinners Tom Taylor and Aaron Davies kept control of the Dinas scoring rate both getting turn and bounce, both picking up wickets, Davies 1 for 12 and Taylor 2 for 12.

With Vale eager to bowl out Dinas to claim maximum bowling points captain Thomas turned to JP Davies when the game was going through a lull for Vale.

JP used the hot conditions to swing the ball sidewards and picked up three quick wickets in a two-over spell, taking the key wicket of Dinas top scorer Redmond Todd Bennett for 17.

Vale wrapped up the Dinas innings in the 33rd over to leave Dinas 71 all out, Vale going on to win the match by 152 runs.

This week Vale seconds welcome the unbeaten second-placed Christchurch in a top of the table clash to Corntown, a key match for both sides in their promotion aspirations.

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Crickhowell CC hosted a reduced 35 over friendly match between Abergavenny CC third XI and Vale third XI.

This was set to be a stern test for the Vale, with Abergavenny playing in Division 9 of the Thomas Carroll South East Wales Cricket League, three divisions above them.

Vale won the toss and skipper Gilbert opted to bat first, hoping to make the most of the short boundaries to either side of the wicket.

Abergavenny's opening bowlers, however, had other ideas! Within five overs Vale had lost both of their opening batsmen. Rob Gooch was caught off the bowling of G Nash for his second duck in successive weeks in the first over and fellow opener Gareth Andrews also fell to the outstanding bowling of G Nash (7-3-15-2), bowled through the gap between bat and pad for 0.

As the score stood on 2-2 after five overs, Vale needed some resistance to the onslaught and this was presented in the form of a father and son, Paul and Sam Sheppard, with a 55-run partnership.

Once the tide was stemmed, Sheppard senior stepped onto the offensive, hitting nine boundaries in a sterling one-man attack and was ably backed up by son Sam, rotating the strike well.

Sam (10) disappointingly fell in the 17th over, uncharacteristically lacking conviction with his shot selection and spooning the ball up for a catch off Bradley's (5-1-15-1) bowling.

Chris Haskins (13) offered some fire power at five, dispatching Holmes (6-0-31-2) to the boundary for the only six of the innings, but soon Holmes claimed his revenge with Haskins thick edging one high into the air but sadly not far enough away from an opposition fielder.

Andy Knight came and went in the flash of a bat, swinging at a delivery, this time off the bowling of Griffiths (7-0-34-1), the fifth Vale player to be caught out and the third duck of the innings.

Joe Merry showed willing ,running with Paul Gilbert at seven and eight respectively, but was soon bowled by the tricky spin bowling of Shackleton (5-2-16-1) for two.

Gilbert (28 no) and Mark Harris (12 no) mounted a late charge, with a 32-run, eighth wicket partnership, but it seemed that it was too little too late for the Vale.

J Heffernan was the only bowler unable to claim a wicket for Abergavenny, but finished with fine figures of 5-1-18-0.

The final score after 35 overs had Vale on 134-7, setting Abergavenny the target of 135 to win.

After a filling tea, Vale looked to get on top early, but soon the gulf in class showed. Abergavenny openers, A Holmes and M Knight, took to the challenge immediately, 15 off the first over of the innings signalling their intent.

Opening bowlers P Sheppard and P Gilbert bore the brunt of the early stroke play, Gilbert (4-0-38-0) finding Knight in fine fettle and he was shipped to the legside boundary for maximum runs twice in his opening two overs.

Sheppard eventually found the breakthrough, trapping Knight in front of all three stumps in the ninth over. An unfortunate end for Knight (40) who played the ball and field alike exceptionally well, but a well-deserved wicket for a dogged bowling display from Sheppard (7-1-31-1).

Kenny Thomas (5.3-0-35-0) and Sam Sheppard (2-0-15-0) bowled to the end of the Abergavenny innings, with Chris Haskins (1-0-13-0) having a brief cameo with the ball, but A Holmes (32no) and D Bowden (50no) proved too strong for the bowling attack and saw the home team comfortably over the line, though ironically the winning run came from a wide ball and not the bat of either batsmen, Abergavenny winning by nine wickets in the 20th over.

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Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club

THE results for the Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club for June 3 are as follows:

First, Irene Thomas and Graham Jones 65.42 per cent, second Phil Felman and Mike Best 64.09 per cent, third Linda Pinnock and Marjorie Morris 62.50 per cent.

LE

Delyth enjoys great start to new season – by Brian Lee

Celebrating the success of Paramer Angel, ridden by Charlie Price.

Paramer Angel, ridden by Charlie Price.

WALES' leading Arabian Horse Racing trainer, Aberkenfig's Delyth Thomas, has had a cracking start to the new season.

Her 15-year-old *Paramer Angel*, a 4-1 shot, made all the running under Charlie Price to win the Stallions' Novice Stakes at Chepstow and a week later at Brighton, her *Kiraa*, partnered by amateur champion rider Simon Walker, won the Hands & Heels Handicap Stakes at odds of 8-1.

Delyth features in my book Racing Rogues – The Scams, Scandals and Gambles of Horse Racing in Wales (St David's Press). It was in 2010 that her *Am I Blue*, after being backed from 25-1 to 5-1, romped home at Hereford Races. Delyth was completely cleared of any wrongdoing and as one racing reporter put it: "There was outrage in some quarters, amusement in others".

Risk A Fine, trained by Gareth Moore at Pyle and ridden by James King, was a 17-length winner of the White Swan Hotel Handicap Hunters' Chase at Stratford last weekend.

The top weighted 10-year-old was returned the 10-11 favourite and was the youngest horse in the race.

Aberthin's Tim Vaughan had plenty to smile about at Warwick.

His top weighted *AllTimeGold* landed the Hook Norton Brewery Handicap Chase and his *Three Colours Red* later took the Agetur UK Amateur Riders' Handicap Hurdle.

Six-year-old *AllTimeGold*, the odds-on favourite and the youngest of the five runners, was ridden by Connor Brace and won by one-and-a-half lengths from *AGentleman*.

And *Three Colours Red*, a 10-1 chance, partnered by Morgan Winstone, won by a neck from *Lord In The Red* trained by Christian Williams at Ogmore-by-Sea.

Vaughan and Williams often rode against each other in Welsh point-to-points. In fact, when the last meeting of the Glamorgan Hunt Steeplechases were held at St Hilary in 2000, it was Christian who rode the very last winner there.

For the record, Christian riding Mr R W Jones' *Bannagh Beg*, a 14-1 chance, won the aged maiden race finishing three lengths ahead of Tim's mount the 5-4 favourite *Mike's Dream* owned and trained by Simon Jones.

Twenty-four hours after winning the ladies' open race at the Pembrokeshire Hunt Point-To-Point at Trecoed on *Falethao D'ana* last Saturday, Llancarfan's Isabel Williams found herself in the winners' enclosure a day later at Fakenham after winning the handicap hurdle on the 11-8 favourite *Cottonvale*.

BRIAN LEE

Have Sully bowlers turned the corner?

SULLY Bowling Club (The Villagers) got off to a terrible start on Wednesday against a strong Penarth side in the Munro Cup.

Only getting a point at home is not very good, and gives the selectors a lot to talk about at their next meeting. It was thanks to E Pryer, H Thomas, J Best, and A Thomas that the point was won 13-13 but none of the rest were close at the end.

The other results were: B Curtis, K Mahoney, D Hotchkiss, D Edwards 10-24; R Fitzjohn, H Levick Jones, P Neale, D Curtis 9-24 and D Lougher, A Kelly, A Rees and T Murphy 13-20.

Come Saturday the corner seemed to be turned, with a home friendly against Fairoak on a really beautiful afternoon. It has to be said that after seven ends it did not look good, with three rinks down and the other only one up, but by 14 ends it was two well up and managing to cover the other two.

By the end it remained the same, with the two winning rinks more than covering the two losers.

It was great to see Gareth John back in harness after his health issues, contributing with R Fitzjohn, A Thomas, D Curtis 25-11 having been six down on four ends. A Smith, E Pryer, H Levick Jones, B Griffiths 37-16 having been 3-12 down on six ends.

H Thomas, B Danscombe, A Rees, T Murphy lost 19-29 but pulled eight back on the last four ends. B Curtis, A Kelly, J Best, D Edwards were always under the cosh and lost 10-25.

This week the club play Millwood midweek and home in the first div3 CML game to Llantwit Major.

TM

Championships are under way at Brynhill GC

BRYNHILL Golf Club held three qualifiers this weekend when the Club Championship, The Midway and the Buck Rabbit were played.

Topping the Buck Rabbit was Jamie Merrick, with a solid 88. The Midway was won by Odyssea Nicoloau, who carded a very decent 36 hole total of 167, while best qualifier in the Championship was Scotty Bowman who hit a two round total of 146 (two over gross).

The knockout matches now commence, with the finals being contested on August 24.

This weekend it's a four-ball better ball medal, with the Artillery Cup being the prize on offer.

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Pictured from left to right, winning team receiving their prizes from Carole Allen - Judy Davies, Olwen Thomas, Carole Allen and Linda Hewlett.

Brynhill Golf Club ladies scramble to success

ON Thursday, May 30, Carole Allen – Brynhill Golf Club's representative for Glamorgan Ladies County Golf Association – put on a fun 10-hole Texas Scramble.

Five teams of three competed and it was closely contested with Linda Hewlett, Olwen Thomas and Judy Davies winning with 38.5 points. In second place were Robbie Lee, Jo Kirkpatrick and Jan Tattersall with 39 points.

Upon receiving her prize, Linda Hewlett thanked Carole Allen for organising the event and said that all those who played were looking forward to future get-togethers.

Past results: May 14 – John Collins Cup, 18 hole medal: winner: Andrea Page – 70 nett; runner-up: Glynis Gould –-73 nett. May 21 – Winfred Clode/ Cancer Relief, 18 hole Stableford: winner: Sam Pascoe– 39 points; runner-up: Linda Hewlett – 34. May 28 – Australian Spoons, 18 hole Stableford foursomes: winners Jan Robertson and Sue Holland – 35 points; runners-up Linda Hewlett and Judy Davies 30, over the back nine from Robbie Lee and Miggs Codd.

Nine-hole Stableford results: May 14 – Liz Brown 13 points over the back six from Carole Allen; May 28 – Diane Tapscot 15 points.

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Barry and District League results

THE snooker Division 1 Cup final saw West End C beat Cadoxton Cons B, while the snooker Division 2 Cup final saw Savoy B C beat Penarth Cons B.

The presentation night is to be held at Barry Town Football Club on Saturday, July 20, at 7.30pm.

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17 17 AUDI S4 3.0 TFSI Quattro 4dr Tiptronic Automatic, Audi warranty March 2020, sat nav, cruise, 17k, white, full red leather **£29995**

17 67 BMW 330 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, cruise, 17k, silver, full leather...**£21995**

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16 66 HYUNDAI TUCSON 2.0 CRD Premium 4WD 5dr Automatic, Hyundai warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, 19"alloys, 18k, grey, full leather.....**£17995**

17 17 HYUNDAI TUCSON 2.0 CRDI SE 5dr 4WD, Hyundai warranty March 2022, sat nav, reverse camera, 12k, grey...**£17495**

17 17 INFINITI Q30 2.2 D Sport 5dr DCT Automatic 4WD, Infiniti warranty May 2020, in touch nav, reverse camera, 28k, black, half-leather **£14995**

16 66 INFINITI QX30 2.2 D Premium Tech 5dr DCT Automatic, Infiniti warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, 21k, grey, full leather **£17995**

17 17 JAGUAR F-PACE 2.0 D Prestige 5dr Automatic AWD, Jaguar warranty April 2020, sat nav, 24k, blue, full leather **£27495**

16 65 JEEP CHEROKEE 2.2 MultiJet 200 Limited 5dr Automatic, sat nav, reverse camera, white, full leather.....**£14995**

16 16 JEEP CHEROKEE 2.2 MultiJet II Night Eagle 5dr Automatic AWD, sat nav, cruise, 24k, grey, full leather **£17995**

17 67 JEEP CHEROKEE 2.2 MultiJet 200 Limited 5dr 4WD Automatic, Jeep warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, privacy glass, 12k, black, full leather **£21495**

14 64 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE 3.0 CRD Limited 5dr 4WD Automatic, reverse camera, dab, grey, full leather **£17995**

16 16 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE 3.0 CRD Overland 5dr Automatic 4WD, pan roof, sat nav, 23k, blue, full leather **£23995**

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16 16 KIA SPORTAGE 1.6 T GDI GT-Line AWD 5dr, Kia warranty Aug 2023, sat nav, 19"alloys, full leather, 20k, choice..... .....**£15495**

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16 66 KIA SPORTAGE 1.6 T-GDI GT-Line 5dr Automatic AWD, Kia warranty Sept 2023, sat nav, reverse camera, heated seats, 24k, black, full leather.....**£18495**

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11 11 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER 3.6 TD V8 Vogue SE 5dr Automatic, sat nav, sunroof, reverse camera, grey, full leather **£14995**

16 66 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER EVOQUE 2.0 TD4 SE 5dr Automatic 4WD, Land Rover warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, heated seats, 27k, black, full leather.....**£23495**

17 66 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER EVOQUE 2.0 TD4 SE 5dr Automatic AWD, pan roof, sat nav, black, full leather....**£21995**

16 16 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER SPORT 3.0 SD V6 (306) HSE Dynamic 5dr Automatic 4x4, stealth pack, heated and cooled seats, privacy glass, grey.....**£33995**

17 17 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER SPORT 2.0 SD4 HSE 5dr 4x4 Automatic, Land Rover warranty April 2020, contrast roof, privacy glass, electric side steps, sat nav, grey, full leather..... .....**£42995**

15 65 LEXUS NX300H 2.5 SE 5dr CVT Automatic 4WD, sat nav, reverse camera, cruise, 19k, silver.....**£23495**

16 66 MERCEDES A250 AMG Premium 5dr DCT Automatic 4Matic, Mercedes warranty Dec 2019, pan roof, sat nav, reverse camera, 17k, black.....**£22995**

17 67 MERCEDES GLA220 D AMG Line 5dr 7G Automatic, Mercedes warranty Nov 2020, sat nav, cruise, 14k, choice, half-leather.....**£21495**

13 63 MINI COUNTRYMAN 1.6 Cooper D All4 5dr, Privacy glass, Bluetooth, aux, usb, 30k, silver **£8995**

15 65 MINI PACEMAN 1.6 John Cooper Works ALL4 3dr (218bhp), chilli + tlc pack, 39k, red, full leather.....**£13995**

16 16 NISSAN QASHQAI 1.6 DCI N-Connecta 5dr 4WD, sat nav, pan roof, reverse camera, 31k, red **£13495**

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17 66 VW GOLF 2.0 TSI R 5dr 4WD, VW warranty Feb 2020, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, heated seats, 19k, choice, full leather **£20995**

16 66 VW GOLF 2.0 TSI R 5dr DSG Automatic 4WD, VW warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, heated seats, 17k, black **£21495**

17 17 VW GOLF 2.0 TSI R 4Motion 5dr, VW warranty March 2020, sat nav, heated seats, cruise, 11k, blue.....**£22995**

15 65 VW TIGUAN 2.0 TDI Bluemotion Tech R-Line 5dr DSG Automatic 4WD, sat nav, cruise, 31k, white, full leather **£16495**

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18 18 AUDI A4 AVANT 2.0 TDI Ultra SE Estate, Audi warranty May 2021, sat nav, cruise, privacy glass, Bluetooth, 2k, blue **£21495**

15 15 AUDI A5 3.0 TDI Black Edition 2dr Coupe Automatic, sat nav, cruise, black **£14995**

17 66 AUDI A6 AVANT 2.0 TDI Ultra Black Edition Estate, sat nav, heated seats, grey, half-leather **£16995**

17 17 AUDI Q2 1.6 TDI S-Line 5dr, Audi warranty April 2020, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, 17k, white, half-leather **£20495**

15 15 AUDI Q3 2.0 TDI SE 5dr, LED headlight pack, Privacy glass, 17"Alloys, 25k, met blue **£14995**

14 64 BMW 116 D M Sport 3dr, 18"alloys, cruise, Bluetooth, dab, 29k, estoril blue **£11495**

15 64 BMW M135i 3.0 M Sports 5dr automatic, sat nav, Bluetooth, 34k, orange, full oyster leather **£16495**

17 67 BMW 230i M Sport 2dr convertible automatic, BMW warranty Dec 2020, sat nav, 18"alloys, cruise, 2k, mineral white, full oyster leather **£24495**

15 65 BMW 320 D BluePerformance Plus 4dr Automatic, sat nav, sport seats, black, full leather **£13795**

16 66 BMW 320 D M Sport GT 5dr, BMW warranty Dec 2019, pro sat nav, heated seats, cruise, silver, full leather..... **£14995**

18 18 BMW 320 D Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty March 2021, sat nav, heated seats, cruise, Bluetooth, 6k, white **£19495**

15 15 BMW 418 2.0 D Sport Gran Coupe, sat nav, 19"alloys, white, full leather **£14995**

16 66 BMW 420 D M Sport Gran Coupe 5dr, BMW warranty Dec 2019, pro nav, heated seats, 29k, black, full leather..... **£18995**

15 15 BMW 428i M Sport 2dr convertible automatic, 19"alloys, head-up display, reverse camera, 12k, black, full oyster leather **£21995**

16 16 BMW 430i M Sport 2dr Automatic, M sport plus pack, 19" alloys, Harman Kardon, wide screen sat nav, met grey, full leather **£19995**

16 16 BMW 430 D M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, pro sat nav, xenons, 30k, grey, full leather **£19995**

18 18 BMW 520 I M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty July 2021, sat nav, xenons, cruise, 15k, white, full leather **£25495**

18 18 BMW X1 2.0 SDrive D M Sport 5dr, BMW warranty April 2021, sat nav, heated setas, privacy glass, blue, full leather **£20795**

16 16 DS DS3 1.2 Puretech Elegance 3dr, ds warranty until June 2019, cruise, dab, 17"black alloys, 17k, yellow **£8495**

16 16 DS DS3 1.6 BlueHDI Prestige 3dr, DS warranty Aug 2019, sat nav, privacy glass, 30k, silver **£7995**

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18 68 DACIA SANDERO STEPWAY 0.9 TCE Comfort 5dr, Dacia warranty Nov 2021, sat nav, air-con, 6k, white **£9795**

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18 67 FIAT 500 1.2 Lounge 3dr, Fiat warranty Feb 2021, pan roof, cruise, Bluetooth, pdc, 9k, blue **£7995**

16 65 FORD C-MAX 1.0 EcoBoost Titanium 5dr, cruise, Bluetooth, 36k, black **£9995**

15 65 FORD ECOSPORT 1.0 EcoBoost Titanium 5dr, Bluetooth, cruise, 25k, black, half-leather **£8995**

17 66 FORD ECOSPORT 1.0 EcoBoost 140 Titanium S 5dr, Ford warranty Feb 2020, cruise, Bluetooth, 21k, choice, half-leather **£10795**

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16 66 FORD FOCUS 1.5 TDCI Titanium X Estate, Ford warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, 17"alloys, 29k, black, half-leather **£11995**

18 68 FORD FOCUS 1.5 TDCI Titanium 5dr (New Model), Ford warranty Oct 2021, sat nav, reverse camera, 3k, black **£17495**

17 17 FORD KUGA 2.0 TDCI Titanium 5dr, Ford warranty April 2020, sat nav, cruise, dab, 12k, grey, half-leather **£15995**

17 17 FORD KUGA 2.0 TDCI ST-Line 5dr, Ford warranty March 2020, sat nav, cruise, 25k, grey, half-leather **£16495**

17 66 FORD S-MAX 2.0 TDCI Titanium 5dr (7-Seater), Ford warranty Feb 2020, sat nav, cruise, red **£17495**

18 18 FORD S-MAX 2.0 TDCI ST-Line 5dr Automatic (7-Seater), Ford warranty March 2021, sat nav, 19"alloys, 22k, white, half-leather **£23995**

17 17 HONDA CIVIC 1.5 VTEC Sport 5dr (180bhp), Honda warranty April 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, privacy glass, 23k, blue **£14795**

16 16 HYUNDAI i30 1.6 CRD SE 5dr, Hyundai warranty March 2021, air-con, cruise, Bluetooth, choice **£7995**

16 65 HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.7 CRDI BlueDrive Premium 5dr, Hyundai warranty March 2021, sat nav, reverse camera, 28k, choice, full leather **£13995**

16 16 HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.7 CRDI BlueDrive SE Nav 5dr, Hyundai warranty until April 2021, sat nav, reverse camera, heated seats, choice **£11995**

17 17 HYUNDAI TUCSON 1.7 CRDI BlueDrive SE 5dr, Hyundai warranty April 2022, sat nav, reverse camera, 13k, choice **£15495**

16 66 JAGUAR XF 2.0 D (180) R-Sport 4dr Automatic, Jaguar warranty Nov 2019, sat nav, 18"alloys, heated seats, 13k, full leather **£18995**

15 65 JEEP RENEGADE 1.4 MultiAir Longitude 5dr, sat nav, Bluetooth, dab, 18k, red **£9995**

17 17 KIA OPTIMA 1.7 CRDI ISG 2 Estate, Kia warranty April 2024, sat nav, reverse camera, cruise, black **£11495**

17 66 KIA PICANTO 1.25 Sport 5dr, Kia warranty Feb 2024, sat nav, reverse camera, 8k, black, half-leather **£8995**

16 66 KIA SPORTAGE 1.6 GDI 1 5dr, Kia warranty Dec 2023, Bluetooth, cruise, aux, usb, 21k, silver **£11495**

16 16 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRD ISG 2 5dr (facelift), Kia warranty April 2023, sat nav, reverse camera, white **£11995**

17 67 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRDI 3 ISG 5dr, Kia warranty Sept 2024, pan roof, sat nav, 19"alloys, reverse camera, 19k, blue, full leather **£17495**

17 17 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRD ISG 2 5dr, Kia warranty March 2024, sat nav, reverse camera, 20k, choice **£14495**

15 65 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER EVOQUE 2.0 ED4 SE 5dr, contrast roof, privacy glass, white, full leather **£19995**

17 67 MAZDA 6 2.2 D (175) Sport Nav estate, Mazda warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, 19"alloys, reverse camera, heated seats, 13k, blue, full leather **£16995**

17 17 MAZDA CX-5 2.2 D Sport Nav 5dr, Mazda warranty April 2020, sat nav, BOSE, cruise, 21k, grey, full leather **£17995**

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18 67 MERCEDES C300H AMG Line Hybrid 4dr Automatic, Mercedes warranty Feb 2021, sat nav, reverse camera, silver, 6k, full leather **£24995**

14 64 MERCEDES S400 L Hybrid SE Line 4dr Automatic, pan roof, sat nav, black **£23995**

15 15 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 5dr, chilli + tlc pack, 17"alloys, media xl – sat nav, 35k, white, half-leather **£9995**

15 65 MINI COOPER 1.5 5dr, chilli + tlc pack, cruise, Bluetooth, 14k, choice, half-leather **£10995**

15 65 MINI COOPER 1.5 3dr, chilli pack, cruise, Bluetooth, 18k, choice, half-leather **£9495**

16 65 MINI COOPER 2.0 SD 3dr, JCW sport pack, media xl – sat nav, met blue **£11495**

17 67 MINI COOPER 2.0 S Seven 5dr (192bhp), Mini warranty Oct 2020, chilli pack, sat nav, cruise, 9k, choice, half-leather **£14495**

16 66 MINI CONVERTIBLE 2.0 S 2dr, Mini warranty Dec 2019, jcw chilli pack, sat nav, 14k, aqua, full leather **£16295**

15 15 MINI COUNTRYMAN 1.6 Cooper 5dr, 17"alloys, aux, usb, white, half-leather **£9995**

13 63 MINI ROADSTER 1.6 Cooper S 2dr Convertible, heated seats, xenons, 49k, black, full leather **£8495**

15 15 NISSAN X-TRAIL 1.6 DCI Acenta 5dr, pan roof, cruise, privacy glass, grey **£11995**

17 67 NISSAN X-TRAIL 1.6 DCI Acenta 5dr Xtronic Automaic (7-Seater), Nissan warranty Oct 2020, pan roof, cruise, 9k, blue **£16995**

16 16 PEUGEOT 308 1.6 BlueHDI 120 Active 5dr, sat nav, cruise, pdc, 19k, black **£8995**

17 67 RENAULT CAPTUR 0.9 TCE Energy Expression + 5dr, Renault warranty Nov 2021, Bluetooth, cruise, 6k, black **£10295**

18 68 RENAULT CAPTUR 0.9 TCE 90 Iconic 5dr, Renault warranty Oct 2022, sat nav, Bluetooth, 5k, red **£11995**

17 67 RENAULT CAPTUR 1.5 DCI Dynaique 90 S Nav 5dr, Renault warranty Oct 2021, sat nav, cruise, pdc, Bluetooth, 10k, grey **£11495**

16 16 RENAULT KADJAR 1.5 DCI Dynamique S Nav 5dr, Renault warranty March 2020, sat nav, 19"alloys, cruise, 19k, white **£13295**

16 65 RENAULT KADJAR 1.5 DCI Dynamique Nav 5dr, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, grey **£8995**

17 17 SEAT ATECA 1.4 EcoTSI Xcellence 5dr, Seat warranty March 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, 23k, white, full leather **£17495**

17 67 SEAT LEON 1.4 TSI 125 FR Technology 5dr, Seat warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, 8k, choice from **£12795**

18 18 SEAT LEON 1.2 TSI SE Dynamic Technology 5dr, Seat warranty until April 2021, sat nav, cruise, 9k, choice **£11995**

18 68 SMART FORFOUR 1.0 Passion 5dr, Smart warranty Oct 2021, cruise, Bluetooth, alloys, 6k, silver **£6995**

16 16 SUZUKI VITARA 1.6 SZ-T 5dr, Suzuki warranty Aug 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, cruise, dab, 25k, red **£10995**

17 66 TOYOTA AVENSIS 1.6 D-4D Active 4dr, air-con, cruise, Bluetooth, 16k, choice **£10995**

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17 67 VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.6 CDTI Elite 5dr, Vauxhall warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, Bluetooth, 20k, silver, full leather **£10995**

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16 66 VAUXHALL INSIGNIA 2.0 CDTI 170 SRI VX-Line 5dr Automatic, Vauxhall warranty Oct 2019, 19"alloys, sat nav, cruise, 22k, black **£11995**

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16 16 VW GOLF 2.0 TDI GTD 5dr, sat nav, cruise, heated seats, choice **£13995**

17 17 VW GOLF 2.0 TSI GTI 5dr, VW warranty March 2020, sat nav, heated seats, cruise, aux, usb, 16k, black **£18995**

17 66 VW GOLF 2.0 TSI Blue Motion Tech GTI 5dr Automatic (220bhp), VW warranty March 2020, sat nav, cruise, heated seats, 10k, choice **£18995**

17 17 VW TIGUAN 2.0 TDI BMT 150 SE Nav 5dr DSg Automatic, VW warranty June 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, 25k, black **£19495**

17 67 VW TIGUAN 2.0 TDI SE 5dr Automatic, VW warranty Dec 2020, sat nav, cruise, 11k, grey **£21495**

14 64 VW TOURAN 2.0 TDI Bluemotion Tech Sport 5dr (7-Seater), pan roof, dab, cruise, 32k, white **£12495**

17 67 VOLVO V40 2.0 T3 (152) R-Design Pro 5dr, Volvo warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, 18"alloys, 18k, choice **£13795**

17 17 JAGUAR XF 2.0 D 180 Portfolio 4dr Automatic, Jaguar warranty March 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, 10k, choice, full leather **£18495**

15 65 BMW 520 DSE Estate Automatic, sat nav, heated seats, grey, full leather **£14495**

11 11 FIAT 500 1.2 Lounge 3dr, aux, usb, alloys, 42k, grey **£3995**

15 65 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 5dr Automatic, media pack xl – sat nav, privacy glass, chilli + tlc pack, 27k, blue **£10995**

16 16 BMW 428 I M Sport 2dr Automatic (245bhp), M sport + pack, electric glass sunroof, 19"Alloys, 33k, white, full leather **£19995**

16 16 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRDI ISG 3 5dr (Facelift), Kia warranty March 2023, sat nav, reverse camera, choice, full leather **£13495**

16 66 BMW 430 D M Sport Gran Coupe Automatic, BMW warranty Sept 2019, pro sat nav, reverse camera, 19"alloys, black, full leather **£18995**

16 16 HONDA JAZZ 1.3 I-VTEC EX 5dr, Honda warranty June 2019, Bluetooth, reverse camera, dab, pdc, 9k, orange **£9995**

14 64 AUDI A4 AVANT 2.0 TDI Ultra SE Estate, Bluetooth, cruise, white **£10995**

16 16 NISSAN QASHQAI 1.5 DCI N-Tec + 5dr, sat nav, pan roof, reverse camera, grey **£10995**

14 14 MERCEDES CLA200 1.8 CDI Sport 4dr, cruise, bluetooth, grey, half-leather **£11495**

16 16 NISSAN PULSAR 1.5 DCI Tekna 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, heated seats, silver, full leather **£8495**

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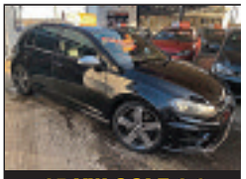

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The Glamorgan Farmers travel to Rogerstone GC

Winning golfers Marcus Goldsworthy, Griff Morgan, sponsor Mark Rees, Clive Edwards and Bryan Owen.

THE monthly meeting of the Glamorgan Farmers' Golf Society was held last Thursday at Newport (Rogerstone) Golf Club where 38 players assembled, all attempting to win the Shrieval Trophy in memory of the late Mr Islwyn Rees, a founder member of the society.

Islwyn's love of stroke play competition was well documented and therefore an annual medal round competition is staged, sponsored by Mr Mark Rees, son of Islwyn and Mrs Francis Rees.

The society was also pleased to welcome as a guest Mr Elliott Rees, a grandson of Islwyn and Francis.

One of the mysteries of golf is the impact it has on the brain when playing a medal round compared to the more popular Stableford format that to date even Alexa hasn't solved. Counting shots taken rather than points accumulated should be a fairly straightforward task yet judging by the scorecards returned the familiar n/r (non-return) written across would suggest quite a few still have problems adjusting to playing the medal format.

One player, however, who had no difficulty in adjusting was Colwinston resident Clive Edwards who secured his third success in the last five months – and fifth since last August – with a net 74 that included triple bogeys on both the 16th and 17th holes.

Quite a remarkable achievement for someone who during the same time has had his handicap reduced from 28 to 14, and who in the last few years has suffered quite serious shoulder injuries.

Runner-up with a net 78 was Griff Morgan followed by Bryan Owen who returned a net 79. Keith James, also with a net 79, finished in fourth place with a double bogie on the last hole proving costly.

The dreaded double figure score on any single hole generally proves the downfall of many and was achieved this year by John Davies, Chris Rooney, Chris Watson, Neil McLean, Lyn Thomas (twice), society captain Clive Thomas and guest Marcus Goldsworthy.

The special prize, however, for achieving the highest score on any hole was shared between a devastated David Williams and Gareth Perkins, who both managed to record a score of one more than 10 on their card.

In the visitors' section Marcus Goldsworthy, despite that double figure score on the par-5 fourth hole, took the honours ahead of Elliot Rees. Rob Price started but failed to finish.

Nearest the pin on the Watts & Morgan sponsored par-3 holes were John Caines, David Williams, Gareth Perkins, Geraint Davies and Keith James, with the Llanerch Vineyard-sponsored prize for the longest drive won by Dan Jarvis, just seeing off the challenge of his father Tim.

Correctly guessing 35 balls would not make the journey home to collect a voucher from Picketson Poultry was Julian Kelly, and that raised £100 for Prostate Cancer Wales.

The society's next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 28, with a visit to Saltford Golf Club just outside Bristol, sponsored by Mr John Caines of Payton, Jewell & Caines, Estate Agents of Bridgend.

Nipper Jewell Memorial knockout competition, second round to be played by June 28: Mike King v Chris Watson; Clive Thomas v Julian Kelly; Dan Jarvis v Griff Morgan; Martyn Edwards v Godfrey Lewis; Brian Jones v Neil McLean; Hugh Williams v Julian Golunski; Chris Rooney v Tony McCarthy; Dai Llewellyn v Charles Vicary.

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Winner Clive Edwards with sponsor Mark Rees and guest Elliott Rees.

European adventure awaits Barry Town United

BARRY Town United are back in training for their European adventure and will learn their fate on Tuesday (June 11), when the opening draw of the 2019-20 campaign takes place in Nyon, Switzerland.

Gavin Chesterfield's team will be one of 14 sides set to scrap it out in the UEFA Europa League preliminary round and, as one of the unseeded outfits, Barry's opponents will be one of the seven seeds.

This means that a trip to the far-flung Faroe Islands could be on the cards, with the likes of Gibraltar, Ko sovo, Luxembourg, Northern Ireland and San Marino completing the list of possible destinations.

NSÍ Runavík, put four past Neil Lennon's Hibernian in last season's meeting on the Faroe Islands, ultimately falling to the Edinburgh club in a remarkable 12-5 aggregate defeat.

Among other notable results on the European stage, Runavík recorded a goalless draw with Fulham in 2011.

Winners of Gibraltar's Rock Cup, Europa FC have already encountered JD Welsh Premier League opposition, losing 4-3 on aggregate to The New Saints in the 2017-18 season.

Among the more travel-friendly options are Luxembourg's Progrès Niederkorn, a club celebrating their centenary year, with a European history stretching back to the 1970s.

Notorious aggregate winners over Pedro Caixinha's Glasgow Rangers in the 2017-18 qualifiers, Progrès then ended the chances of Hungary's Honved in last season's edition.

Before then, their most notable appearances in Europe came against the likes of Grasshoppers of Zurich, as well as a glamour tie with Real Madrid in the then-European Cup.

Flying the flag for Northern Ireland, Cliftonville would be the closest trip, yet the Belfast outfit are experienced European campaigners, with no fewer than 32 previous outings.

Finally, La Fiorita could offer the strongest chance for Barry to advance, with the representatives of San Marino beaten in 14 of their 15 competitive European matches to date.

With the two-legged preliminary round tie to be played on June 27 and July 4 respectively, Tuesday's draw will reveal which of these seven names stands in Barry's way.

Should the club win through, then a spot awaits in the first qualifying round, where potential opponents include the likes of Malmo, Molde, Brondby, Kilmarnock and Rangers.

Romantically, former European foes Aberdeen will also start their Europa League campaign at this stage.

First though, Barry will prepare for the preliminary round with a hat-trick of June friendlies.

After tackling Cardiff Met behind closed doors on Saturday, June 8, Barry welcome a Panjab representative side to Jenner Park on Saturday, June 15 (3pm kick-off).

Then, Chesterfield's men cross the Irish sea to take on Ballymena United on Saturday, June 22 (1pm), with the Sky Blues set to embark on a European tour themselves.

In other news, the club was delighted to see Mo Touray named the JD Welsh Premier League's young player of the season at Saturday evening's awards.

Wing-backs Chris Hugh and the now-departed Macauley Southam-Hales were also selected as members of the Welsh top flight's team of the season.

AC

NFU's charity golf day raises over £6,000 for appeal

Pam and Dave Harris of the NFU with the cheque.

THE annual NFU Mutual Insurance Charity golf day was held recently at Southerndown Golf Club where 148 golfers helped to raise funds for the Kidney Wales Charity Appeal Fund.

Following the event, when a cheque for £3,500 was presented to Danielle Angell Jones, head of fundraising for Kidney Wales Cymru, further donations were received taking the final amount to a staggering £6,000 – representing a record amount raised at this annual fundraising event.

With quality prizes donated by many generous sponsors, the day's individual and team competitions were keenly contested.

Wyndham Abbott, with a final score of 36 Stableford points, claimed first prize in the men's section just ahead of Craig Sherman and Mick O'Sullivan, who finished second and third.

In the ladies' individual competition, Sally Roff returned the highest individual score of the day when returning to the clubhouse with 38 points. Beryl Vaughan and Kath Evans finished second and third respectively. Beryl collected the ladies' longest drive prize.

In the men's team competition where the best three scores per hole counted, a better back nine by Bill Goldsworthy, Marcus Goldsworthy, Wynn Walters and Wyndham Abbott to accumulate 109 points proved crucial, placing them ahead of the rest of the chasing pack.

In the ladies' section, Normski's team of Norma Barber, Beryl Vaughan, Kath Evans and Sarah Morris won themselves a cream tea for four, courtesy of Lanelay Hall Hotel when scoring 106 points.

Nearest the pin on the fifth hole winning a voucher from Bar 44 was Craig Sherman and on the seventh hole to win a voucher for Sunday lunch for four courtesy of Coed-y-Mwstwr Hotel was Chris Hartisby.

Winning a voucher for a Sunday lunch for four at The Red Fox Penllyne was David Vaughan who was closest to the pin on the 10th hole; and collecting a voucher for a Sunday lunch for two at Llanerch Vineyard and Restaurant was Rhydian Harris, whose tee shot to the 14th was closer than anyone else.

Chippenham-based Martin Ould was accompanied on the long journey home with a Footjoy shirt donated by Huw James when being closest to the pin with his second shot into the 18th green and Jonathan Lloyd returned home with the men's longest drive prize.

The last prize to be presented went to Richard Wood, who was playing this well-established course for the first time.

Richard returned home with a bottle of Laphroaig when correctly guessing 178 balls would spend the night nestling in the thick prickly gorse associated with this course.

A special mention must go to event organiser Mrs Pam Harris, whose excellent organisational skills were once again much appreciated by all who participated.

T.McC

Members and Guests Day at St Mary's Golf Club

MEMBERS and Guests Day is the annual occasion when members of St Mary's Golf Club's senior section are encouraged to invite friends and acquaintances from other golf clubs to join them in a day of fun competition.

Under pleasant weather conditions, the field of 44 teed off in a Stableford better ball pairs format, with additional prizes for nearest the pin for members (on the par three second hole) and for guests (par three seventh hole).

With two chances to score on every hole and good run on the ball, scores better than the par of 36 points were to be expected and the players certainly did not disappoint. Finishing their round with three consecutive birdies, Steve Phillips and guest Bruce Anderson topped the leaderboard with a fine 48 points.

Two pairs were tied on 47 points but after a countback, Joe Davis and Fred Furby were awarded second place, with former captain and host for the day Hugh Williams and his guest Tony Krip, placed third.

Ainsley Adams bagged the nearest to pin prize for members at 9'5" and Lee Jefford secured the guests' nearest pin prize – his 8'2" putt out being just one of a brace of twos in his impressive round.

Other twos came from Roy Denton, Steve Phillips, Hugh Williams, Malcolm Jones and Roger Hodlahan.

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Barry RFC lottery news

THE Barry RFC club lottery rolls over again this week to £4,500 after last week's numbers of 07, 17, 23 and 24 failed to produce a winner.

No tickets matched three numbers.

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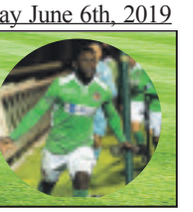

Gutsy Sully slip to loss against league leaders

SULLY Centurions played host to league leaders Vale CC and, despite a gutsy batting performance, came off second best.

The visitors batted first at Burnham Avenue and openers Upham (74) and Davies (138) put on 140 for the first wicket. This set the tone for the innings as Vale amassed a big total of 286 for the loss of six wickets. Skipper Rhett Jones was Sully's best bowler, with 3 for 39.

Centurions' daunting task became harder with the early loss of the normally prolific Jones, but Gethin Hicks (31) and Lloyd Bruce (67) gave them some momentum as they shared a half-century partnership for the second wicket.

Bruce and Ricki Griffett (58) took the score up to 117 for 3 before Bruce departed. Another half-century stand between Griffett and Thomas left the match interestingly poised at 171 for 4.

But a flurry of late wickets swung it back in the visitors' favour and the final score of 201 all out was well short of the target. Alex Upham (3-25) was the pick of the Vale bowlers.

Sully Centurions 201 all out, Vale CC 286-6.

The second XI, once again missing several key players, made the trip to Ferndale to play Christchurch and were well beaten.

After winning the toss, skipper Dan Chaulk (38), opted to bat first and although he and fellow opener Dave Morgan (15) weathered the early storm, the run rate was very slow, leaving Centurions on 49 without loss at the halfway stage.

After reaching 58, both openers went in the space of a few balls.

Jason Hicks (27) and Ben Spear (35) injected some much-needed urgency into the batting, but after these two had departed, only Vasant reached double figures and Centurions collapsed to 137 all out.

Olds, with 5 for 18, did most of the damage for Christchurch.

After tea, a marvellous spell of bowling from Harish Hirani gave Sully some hope of a remarkable comeback, as he ripped into the top order with four wickets, three of which were with the assistance of Ben Spear behind the stumps.

After nine overs, the hosts were looking decidedly shaky on 27 for 4, but a confident fifth-wicket partnership between Thomas (47) and Lewis (56 not out) took the game away from Centurions, as they added 103 in a match winning partnership. Jason Hicks took the only other wicket and the hosts finished on 137 for 5.

Christchurch 137-5, Sully Centurions second XI 134 all out.

This week, the first XI travel to Ebbw Vale, while the seconds entertain Ebbw Vale at Burnham Avenue. Players are requested to inform their captains of their availability.

MF

Plenty of action at Wenvoe Castle

Club captain Lesley Sherrard (centre) with Chris Tatt and Sheila Davies, the winners of the Betty and Harry Broadbent Trophy.

THE weather was particularly kind during the Whitsun Bank Holiday period and members and visitors of Wenvoe Castle Golf Club took full opportunity to play and enjoy the excellent condition of the course.

The Laurie Jones Shield is a ladies foursomes competition and unusually a draw is made for partners. It was a real coincidence that the draw revealed the pairing of Nicola Manning, the club secretary, with Lucy Sellick, the head greenkeeper, and they worked well to post the best score of 39 points.

The draw also paired the Smiths, Sian and Jayne, who combined particularly well to score 39 points but just missed out on countback.

Bank Holiday Monday saw a large turn out for the mixed pairs competing for the Betty and Harry Broadbent Trophy using the popular and more forgiving greensomes format where both players drive and then choose which one to use.

The winners, Chris Tatt and Sheila Davies, played well to win with a score of 37 points and will see their names go on the honours board. Mark Gallivan and Fiona Jenkins were also in good form to finish runners-up with 35 points.

Saturday provided the opportunity for men and ladies to take on the challenge of a medal. The ladies competed in the Ladies Coronation Cup/GUW Medal and Jane Lott continued her fine run of form posting the best score of net 73, just enough to pip Lynda Campbell and Joanne Marriott who both scored net 74.

There was plenty of interest which led to a huge entry for the men's monthly medal. Several players were in great form and the eventual winner was Terry O'Grady with an outstanding net 69, just holding off Robert Garn who also posted a net 69 but missed out on countback.

Perhaps the defining moment was when Terry scored a superb two on the par-4, 12th hole. Mark Donovan and Nigel Curtis both played well to record a net 70 and, on another day, could have been enough to take first prize.

Visit *wenvoecastlegolfclub.co.uk* for more information on the club.

BJ

A win at Rhoose, but then a Dinas defeat for Millwood!

THIS week's Munro Cup fixture saw Millwood make the short trip to Rhoose on Wednesday evening to play with some trepidation on the carpet which gives the home a slight advantage.

However, despite the weather not being at its most favourable, both sides gave of their best and on rink 2, Brian Crockford, Nigel Tutton, Dave Bourne and Bryn Webb got off to a flying start and after 10 ends had raced into a 14-4 lead.

Keeping up the pressure they finally ran out winners by 25 shots to 7, while, in the meantime, on Rink 3, Steve Sewell, Alan Bickley, Roger Wills and Arthur Norris eased into a 5-1 lead after five ends and stretched this to 10-6 after 10 ends.

Over the next seven ends, the home side rallied to leave the scores tied going into the last end but a final two shots on this end gave the Millwood rink a narrow win, 18-16.

However, on Rink 4, Derek Gorringe, Alan Anniss, Paul Childs and Geoff Stone were unable to get to grips with the rink at all and although leading 5-0 after five ends, this proved to be a false dawn with the home rink scoring consistently over the remaining ends, finally winning comfortably 23-7.

On Rink 5, Haydn Spencer, Dave Lewis, Stan Hopkins and Alan Evans found themselves in a battle right from the start and trailed 8-2 after five ends and were still behind after 10 ends, 10-5.

However, eight shots took them into the lead 12-10 and the home side then scored three singles on the next three ends to take a one shot lead into the final end, but a one on the last end allowed the visitors to earn an honourable draw, 13-13.

The final result was a win for Millwood, 63-59, taking 11 points in the process, a good win on a difficult surface.

Saturday saw Millwood travel to Dinas Powys to play a Carruthers Cup match which had been delayed as the home club had been hosting some of the recent Atlantic Challenge international games.

On a good bowling afternoon, on Rink 3, Keith Davies, Nigel Tutton, Tony Cole and Derek Gorringe started well and were all square after six ends. By the 10th end they led 12 shots to 5.

The home side then scored 10 shots over the next three ends to lead 16 shots to 15 but one for Millwood evened up the score to 16-16, but 11 unanswered shots over last five ends saw the home rink win, 27-15.

Rink 3 saw Steve Sewell, Keith Thomas, Haydn Spencer and Mickey Lucas get off to a very slow start and were 13-3 down after 10 ends, a position they never recovered from, finally losing 25-11.

On Rink 4, Brian Crockford, Dave Bourne, Kelvin Lewys and John Slee also got off to a slow start and soon trailed 11-2 after eight ends; a 4 and a 2 added some respectability to the score but a dropped 6 and a 5 put the home back in front, finally easing to a 30-15 win.

On Rink 5, Peter Taylor, Alan Anniss, Dave Woodfin and Rob Browne were all square, 7-7, after five ends but with the home team scoring 16 shots over the next six ends finally eased to a comfortable 36-14 victory, the match score ending 118-55 to the home side.

We wish the home side well in all their future Carruthers matches.

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Loss and win for Romilly bowlers

ON Wednesday, May 22, Romilly travelled to Sully, to play against Sully Sports Bowling Club in the Munro Cup.

Results: Rink 2 – Arthur Champ, Phil Edwards, Tony Freeman and skip Ray Hewitson 21-11; Rink 3 – Glyn Sheppard, Dave Noble, Kelvin Mills and skip Steve Close 6-18; Rink 4 – Dennis Mottram, Phil Herbert, Alan Bryan and skip Graham Cogbill 15-12; Rink 5 – A. Jones, Alan Bannister, John Kirk and skip Mel Newman 19-24. Aggregate score: defeat for Romilly, 61-65.

On Saturday, May 25, Romilly travelled to play Gilfach Goch in the WBA Carruthers Cup.

Results: Rink 1 – Alan Bryan, Dave Noble, Gwyn Rees and skip Graham Cogbill 21-13; Rink 2 – Kelvin Mills, Terry Bloomfield, Mel Newman and skip Mike Doyle 18-16; Rink 3 – Dave Francis, Roger Jones, Steve Close and skip Brian Foscolo 16-23; Rink 4 – Phil Gershenson, Paul Swannick, Gary Eastment and skip Jeff Wright 29-19. The match resulted in an excellent aggregate win, 84-71, against one of the stronger teams in the league

On Saturday, May 25, the Barry Romilly Social Club evening, the first draw of the monthly 100 Club took place.

This has been organised by the lady captain , Gaynor Taylor. The winner was Janine Brooks (ticket number 52) and second place was the club chairman Graham Cogbill - ticket number 5. The draw will take place at the very popular quiz and bingo social evening.

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Teams wanted for league

AN expanding six-a-side league is looking for teams to play at Jenner Park on Monday nights 8pm-10pm.

If interested, please contact John Cottrell 07990870662 or email *Johncottrell.ref@hotmail.co.uk*.

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Dinas Powys Golf Club ladies section results

ON May 7, an 18 hole Stableford was held by Dinas Powys GC ladies' section:

1st Ruth Yates 36 points; 2nd Sue Bridle 35; 3rd Lisa Ryley 30. Also on May 7, a nine hole Stableford: 1st Rhian Thomas 19 points; 2nd Pam Warne; 3rd Angela Brown.

On May 14, the 18-hole Championship and R H Seel Qualifier: 1st Ann Mahenthiralingam 88 – 14 = 74; 2nd Maxine Hird 95 – 21 = 74; 3rd Ruth Yates 100 – 23 = 77. Also on May 14, a nine hole Stableford:- 1st Angela Brown; 2nd Sharon Jesson; 3rd Rhian Thomas.

On May 21, an 18 hole Stableford: 1st Maxine Hird 38 points; 2nd Samantha Saunders 36; 3rd Ann Mahenthiralingam 36. Also on May 21, a nine hole Stableford:1st Sharon Jesson; 2nd Angela Thomas; 3rd Terry Unwin.

On May 28, an 18 hole Medal 3: 1st Sue Bridle 86 –17 = 69; 2nd Ann Mahenthiralingam 86 – 14 = 72; 3rd Ruth Yates 98 – 23 = 75. Also on May 28, a nine hole Stableford: 1st Sharon Jesson; 2nd Angela Brown; 3rd Kit Roblin.

Congratulations to the winners of the Kim Hall Competition held on May 26: 1st Maxine Hird, Richard Hird and Greg Hird 102 points; 2nd Sian Smith, Roger Davies and Mike Selley 97; 3rd Ruth Yates, Steven Yates & Nick Osborne 94.

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